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## LORD THOMSON'S R.101 PLANS.

INSISTED ON FLIGHT AS ARRANGED.

INFLUENCE OF MINUTE ON THE EVENTS.

## ENQUIRY EVIDENCE.

London, Nov. 6.  
A Minute written by Lord Thomson, the late Air Minister, was put in evidence at the R.101 enquiry to-day, revealing that he strongly insisted upon adherence to the programme for the India flight of the ill-fated airship.  
Sir John Simon, questioning Air Marshal Sir John Higgins, elicited the fact that the necessity for repairs to gas-bags which were holed through chafing, and also that an engine broke down during the trials, were not reported to the Air Ministry.  
The President of the Court read the Minute by Lord Thomson, which read:  
"So long as R.101 is ready to go to India by the last week in September, this further delay in getting her altered may pass. I must insist on the programme for the India flight being adhered to as I have made my plans accordingly."

Influence on Events.  
Sir John Higgins was questioned on the possibility of this Minute having influenced the course of events.

The Air Marshal said that as he realised that Lord Thomson was determined to have the ship for a flight to India at the end of September, every effort was made to speed up the work.

Lieut. Col. Moore-Brahazon, one of the assessors, asked whether, if Lord Thomson had not wanted to go to India himself, Sir John Higgins would have ordered her to India in view of the alterations made in her.

Hypothetical Question.  
The witness replied that that was a hypothetical question, which he did not think he could answer, but on what he heard from Wing-Commander Colmore and Major Scott about the results of the trial on October 1 and 2, he would have been satisfied that the ship was safe to undertake the flight to India.

Air Marshal Dowding, the next witness, asserted that as the R.101 had not done full power trials, he told Lord Thomson he proposed to instruct Wing-Commander Colmore to carry out full power trials as soon as possible after leaving for India so that if anything unsatisfactory developed there would still be time to turn back.

"All Settled."

"That's all settled, then," remarked Lord Thomson, in reply, said Air Marshal Dowding, showing that he was absolutely confident.  
Sir John Simon declared that there was no written report on the last trial flight and no written inspection sheet of what was observed during or after the flight.

"Is it a fact," he asked, "that just at this moment the Air Ministry granted an airworthiness certificate?"

"The certificate was issued by the Secretary of State having regard to the reports furnished him" presumably by Wing-Commander Colmore, replied Air Marshal Dowding. The enquiry adjourned.

Compensation Awards.

In the House of Commons, Mr. F. Montague, the Under-Secretary for Air, announced that compensation to the dependents of the victims of the R.101 disaster would be paid as follows:  
To Air Force Officers and men, pensions varying from £180 with a gratuity of £450, plus £24 annually for each child, to pensions of £22/- weekly, plus 5/- for each child.  
To civilians, pensions varying from £100 to £300, with special children's allowances, except in the case of those receiving Workmen's Compensation, whose awards, where necessary, would be made up to the scale paid to civilians not so qualified.—*Reuter, and British Wireless.*

## SCHOOL LEAVING AGE BILL.

"CHARTER FOR AVERAGE CHILD."

LIBERALS SUPPORT.

London, Nov. 6.  
The Government School Attendance Bill, raising the school-leaving age in Britain from 14 to 15, and providing for the maintenance of school-goers between the ages of fourteen and fifteen, obtained a second reading in the House of Commons to-day after the defeat of a Conservative motion for its rejection by 294 to 227.  
Many Liberals, obviously, voted with the Government.  
The Bill, which is intended to pass before Christmas, affects half a million children.  
The Government claims that it will keep 200,000 children off the labour market for a year and will enable 150,000 adults to obtain jobs.  
Sir Charles Trevelyan, the Education Minister, described the Bill as a "charter for the average child."  
Lord Eustace Percy, opposing it, said that the Bill would increase the taxation of the employee class by £3,000,000 per annum. He said the need was that education should develop mental keenness very largely in touch with and in connexion with the machine on which the keenness would have to be exercised.—*Reuter.*

## AMERICAN PIT DISASTER.

DEATHROLL NOW STATED TO TOTAL 91.

Athens (Ohio), Nov. 6.  
Mine officials now state that the death-roll in the pit disaster totals 94 and that there were three hundred men in the pit at the time of the explosion.

An early report stated that in addition to nearly 160 killed, and 26 rescued, a score of miners entombed alive are expected to be brought up safely.

Most of the survivors are in bad condition. They owe their lives to bracing themselves in the chamber where the poison gases were not dense.

The positions of the dead indicate that they made a desperate effort to flee. Ten succumbed at the entrance to the ventilating shaft.—*Reuter's American Service.*

## FINANCIAL CRISIS IN AUSTRALIA.

MR. LYONS RESIGNS OVER A BOND RESOLUTION.

Canberra, Nov. 6.  
Mr. Lyons, the acting Federal Treasurer, has resigned following a resolution by the Labour caucus ordering legislation to compel the holders of the £27,000,000 maturing in December, to hold their bonds for another year.  
The resolution laid down that interest on the bonds would be paid as usual and that necessitous holders would be enabled to cash small amounts of the bonds.—*Reuter.*

## FINAL POSITION OF NEW SENATE.

KENTUCKY SEAT WON BY REPUBLICANS.

New York, Nov. 6.  
The final position of the new Senate gives the Republicans a margin of one over the Democrats, as follows:  
Republicans ..... 48  
Democrats ..... 47  
Farmer-Labour ..... 1  
—*Reuter's American Service.*

## FAIR WEATHER.

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone is central near Tokyo. Moderate monsoon along the S.E. coast of China and over the China Sea. The local forecast is:—N.E. winds, moderate; fair.

## MRS. BRUCE LANDS AT HANOI.

HONGKONG ARRIVAL EXPECTED.

MAY REACH COLONY DURING AFTERNOON.

## NO DEFINITE NEWS.

Flying solo from England to Japan on a Blackburn Blue bird machine fitted with a Gipsy II engine, the Hon. Mrs. Victor Bruce, the noted British airwoman, arrived at Hanoi yesterday afternoon, and was expected to take off for Hongkong some time to-day. The flight from Hanoi here takes about five hours, and it was thought this morning that Mrs. Bruce would leave the southern port in time to arrive in Hongkong either by tiffin-time or early this afternoon. At the time of going to press, however, no actual word had been received of her departure from Hanoi, and it is therefore not at all certain that she will reach Hongkong to-day.  
She arrived at Hanoi from Bangkok, which place she left last Saturday at dawn. Owing to heavy rains, however, she was compelled to make a forced landing at Nakom Panom, in Siam, where she waited for the weather to clear before resuming her flight.  
Mrs. Bruce set out on her Far Eastern flight on September 25th, in the hope of being able to reach Tokyo, 11,000 miles distant, in fifteen days, with a non-stop flight of 920 miles to Budapest, continuing via Bagdad, Karachi, Calcutta, Rangoon and Hanoi to Hongkong, thence to Amoy, Shanghai and finally Japan.



Crash in Desert.  
She made excellent progress until after leaving Jask for Bushire, in Persia, when she crashed. This was some 35 miles from Jask. She encountered a violent sandstorm and attempted to land on what seemed to be hard sand, but the plane sank into it and overturned.

Baluchi tribesmen appeared on the scene and seemed hostile, but she made friends with them by interesting them in an alarm clock and by dancing and singing to them.  
After some nights in the desert, living on water and dates given her by the tribesmen, she persuaded the chief to send a message to Jask, and three Englishmen came to her help. They mended the derelict plane and Mrs. Bruce flew it to Jask with one of them, Mr. Wilson, an Imperial Airways engineer, lying along the fuselage.

Subsequently she continued on her flight, but was recently delayed by heavy rains between Bangkok and Hanoi.

## Motoring Feats.

The Hon. Mrs. Victor Bruce is already distinguished in the sphere of motoring and exploration, and is a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society. Formerly Miss Mildred Petre, of an Essex family, she married the Hon. Victor Bruce, youngest son of the second Baron Aberdare, in 1926. She has published two interesting books on motoring, covering her experiences, namely, "9,000 Miles in Eight Weeks," and "The Woman Owner-Driver."

She is the foremost British woman motorcar racer, and has several records to her credit. Taking up track racing with her husband, she became noted for exceptional coolness and judgment, combined with unflinching courage. She first came into prominence in January, 1927, when as a competitor in a race from the extreme north of Scotland to Monte Carlo, she covered the distance in three days without sleep. In July of that year she and her husband drove through Sweden to the Arctic Circle, going 200 miles further north than any motorist had been before.

## A Fine Record.

In December they achieved a feat for speed and superb driving. (Continued on Page 7.)

## BANK CRASH IN FRANCE.

FOUR INSTITUTIONS CLOSE DOORS.

## M. TARDIEU ACTS.

Paris, Nov. 6.  
The Prime Minister, M. Tardieu, has intervened in the difficult situation created by the failure of the Adam Bank, which closed down recently, and is personally taking steps to minimise the injury caused by the collapse of the establishment, which is one of the oldest banking institutions in France.  
The Adam Bank has over a hundred branches in Northern France, and the crash is particularly felt in Boulogne, whose population had deposited their savings with the Adam Bank.  
A hundred fishing smacks are lying idle in Boulogne Harbour for the reason that their owners are unable to pay the crews.  
Assets Ample.  
Arrangements are being made to liquidate the assets of the Bank, which are stated to be ample to cover its commitments.  
Meanwhile, the failure is having a reaction on other banking institutions. In direct consequence of the Adam Bank's failure, the Banque Lacour et Chasseraud, of Angoulême, has temporarily ceased its operations, while the important provincial bank, the Credit du Rhone has closed its doors.  
It is understood, however, that the Credit du Rhone has obtained support enabling it to re-open its doors to-morrow.

## Another Shock.

Later.  
A further shock to financial circles came this afternoon with the news of the suspension of the Oustric Bank, which has a capital of 100,000,000 francs.

This bank had been working in close relation with the Adam Bank and the Credit du Rhone.—*Reuter.*

## AMAZING SPEED ON MOTOR-CYCLE.

BRITISH RIDER AND CYCLE DO 150 M.P.H.

London, Nov. 6.  
The amazing speed of 150 miles an hour on two wheels was to-day achieved by the well-known British motor-cyclist, Wright, on a British machine, an O.E.C. Jap cycle, at Cork.  
Wright averaged 149.68 miles an hour over a kilometre, thus regaining the record from Henne by thirteen miles an hour.

Wright and Henne have been alternately breaking the record. After Wright had set up a mark of 218.18 kilometres an hour on an O. E. C. Jap, Henne riding a B. M. W. motor-cycle covered a mile in 26.38 seconds, averaging 219.613 kilometres an hour.

Wright's latest performance, adding 13 miles an hour to the mark, will take a lot of upsetting.—*Reuter.*

A British Wireless message adds that Mr. J. Wright's fastest one-way run was 152.5 miles an hour.

## STOP PRESS.

## BRITISH ATLANTIC UNDERSTANDING.

London, Nov. 7.  
The Daily Herald says six of the largest British trans-Atlantic shipping companies—the Cunard, White Star, Canadian Pacific, Anchor, Red Star and Atlantic Transport Lines—have completed rationalisation plans with a view to cutting out wasteful British competition.

United sailing announcements have already begun, and experts believe that closer arrangements will be made.

The Companies mentioned own fifty-two liners, valued at £55,000,000. The lines will continue as separate entities.—*Reuter.*

## SOVIET TROOPS MOVING.

MARCHING TOWARDS MANCHULI.

FIVE INFANTRY DIVISIONS ON THE FRONTIER.

## MUKDEN NOTIFIED.

Shanghai, Nov. 6.  
With a view to bringing pressure on the Moscow Conference, Soviet troops at Chita are marching rapidly towards Chinese territory at Manchuli and are building trenches twenty miles from Manchuli Railway station. Barbed wire entanglements are also being erected.  
The Soviet militarists are displaying an attitude of preparedness for a resumption of active demonstrations in the event of a second deadlock.

## Mukden Advised.

General Wan Fu-lin, Chairman of the Heilungkiang Provincial Government, has telegraphed to Mukden for instructions. The Government is seriously considering increasing the Manchurian garrisons at Manchuli and Chalinor.

The Soviet is known to have five full divisions of infantry along the Chinese frontier in readiness for all eventualities.

## Delegates' Hope.

General Mo Teh-hui, the chief Chinese delegate attending the Sino-Soviet Conference at Moscow, has telegraphed to the Nanking Government suggesting that the whole Chinese delegation should remain in Russia for another three months. He points at the possibility of reaching some form of preliminary arrangement with M. Kahraran in the not distant future whereby both parties may fix a date for the renewal of formal meetings.

The Nanking Foreign Ministry conferred yesterday following the receipt of this telegram and decided to instruct General Mo to endeavour to secure a resumption of the discussions. The Nanking Government has signified its intention of supporting the financial needs of the Chinese delegation during the suggested period. Nanking remitted by telegraph a big sum to the Chinese delegates yesterday.

## Anti-Red Drive.

Some 100,000 Nationalist troops recently returned from the northern warfront have been commissioned to enter Hunan and Kiangsi for a concerted onslaught against Communist bandits. The former plan to assail the Communists in Central China from three directions has been changed, and it has now been decided that the war will be simultaneously launched in five regions.

The 60th and 61st Kwangtung Divisions are among the Divisions assigned to this work. Nanking has ordered the 60th Division, under General Tsoi Ting-kai, to clean up the Communist districts in the environs of Changsha and Pinghsiang.

Changsha is the capital of Hunan and was recently recaptured from the Communists. Since then the bandits defeated at Changsha have spread to various districts. The work of rounding up these Hunanese bandits near Changsha will take several weeks, it is expected.

## Other Arrangements.

The 61st Division under General Chiang Kwang-nai, also of Canton, has been commissioned to proceed to the Hankow and Wuchang regions, where some of the districts along the Peking-Hankow Railway near Hankow have for several weeks been disturbed by Communists. The 61st Division will be assisted by Hankow garrison troops and they will commence raiding the villages early next week.  
Recently in Kiangsi Province, vast regions of flourishing country-side were devastated by the continuous bandit disturbances. The Communist leader, Chu Tai, actually established a Soviet Government at Kianfu, in the heart of Kiangsi. General Mao Bing-wan, of the 8th Division, will direct the war in Kiangsi and will make his first blow on the bandits by attacking their strongholds at Kianfu.

## PRISON OUTRAGE RECALLED.

WOUNDED WARDER MAKING GOOD PROGRESS.

ACCUSED IN COURT.

Favourable progress by Mr. Bert Plumb, who was wounded by a prisoner in Victoria Gaol recently, was reported this morning when the alleged assailant appeared before Mr. Williams at the Central Magistracy, on remand, on a charge of wounding with intent to maim.

Detective Inspector Shannon appeared for the prosecution and asked his Worship for a further week's remand.

His Worship enquired as to the condition of Mr. Plumb and was informed that he was progressing favourably, but the doctor did not think that he would be fit for another two or three weeks.

Answering a further question, Detective Inspector Shannon said there were about 13 witnesses altogether, but most of them would be formal. Only four would be of any length.

Regarding the previous suggestion that certain evidence might be taken before the discharge of Mr. Plumb from hospital, the prosecuting officer said he had put that course to the Superintendent but it was thought there was no object in starting the case immediately, as to wait for the evidence of Mr. Plumb to be taken first, would make the case simpler.  
The defendant was remanded for another week formally.

## MONGOOSE SOUP!

SHOPKEEPER FINED FOR CRUELTY.

A mongoose in a wire cage was the curious exhibit produced in the Central Police Court this morning in connexion with a charge of cruelty against a Chinese shopkeeper at Shaikwan.  
A Police Sergeant said he saw the animal exhibited outside the shop, the idea apparently being to attract customers. The cage was small, and in moving about, the animal had torn its paws on the wire.

Asked what he intended to do with a wild animal like the mongoose, the accused said "he was going to convert it into soup!" He added that he was giving it a bath when the Sergeant appeared.  
A fine of \$10 was imposed by the Magistrate (Mr. Lindsell).

## NATIONAL GALLERY PICTURES.

FACILITIES FOR LENDING ABROAD.

London, Nov. 6.  
The Prime Minister informed the House of Commons to-day that a one-clause Bill would be introduced shortly empowering the trustees of the National Gallery at their discretion to lend paintings and drawings abroad, under proper safeguards.—*British Wireless.*

## JOHNNY CUTHBERT MATCHED.

TARLETON DRAWS IN A TITLE BOUT.

London, Nov. 6.  
In a fifteen rounds contest at Liverpool to-day, Johnny Cuthbert (Sheffield), the holder of the British featherweight championship, was fought to a draw by Nel Tarleton (Liverpool).  
The title was at stake.—*Reuter.*

try-side were devastated by the continuous bandit disturbances. The Communist leader, Chu Tai, actually established a Soviet Government at Kianfu, in the heart of Kiangsi. General Mao Bing-wan, of the 8th Division, will direct the war in Kiangsi and will make his first blow on the bandits by attacking their strongholds at Kianfu.

## QUOTA FOR WHEAT APPROVED.

COMMITTEE REPORTS TO LEADERS.

GUARANTEES TO EMPIRE AT WORLD PRICES.

## NO OBSTACLE IN WAY.

London, Nov. 6.  
An agreement has been reached by the committee of the Imperial Conference dealing with economic co-operation on the subject of the application of the quota system to Empire wheat. Mr. William Graham, the President of the Board of Trade, was the chairman of the committee, whose report will be considered by the heads of the delegations next week.  
The object of the quota, it is stated, is to secure that a guaranteed, and if possible, an increasing proportion of the total quantity of wheat milled in the United Kingdom should be of Empire origin.

The report submitted by Mr. Graham's committee is the result of a preliminary examination of the scheme in its technical aspects.

## A General Scheme.

Of the milling wheat and flour imported into the United Kingdom at the present time, about forty-nine per cent. has Empire origin. The scheme for ensuring or improving upon that position was examined in the light of a quota for the whole of the Empire.

The possibility of granting special quotas for different parts of the Empire was examined and ruled out as administratively impracticable.

## At World Prices.

The question of a guaranteed price for wheat was not raised, the scheme being examined as a method of securing to the Empire a guaranteed share of the United Kingdom's imports at world prices.

The Committee came to the conclusion that if the method were adopted, there would be no insuperable difficulties in the way of working it.—*British Wireless.*

The scheme apparently bears a close resemblance to the proposals outlined in Mr. Baldwin's recent manifesto on the subject of wheat quotas, though it naturally takes no account of any special quota that may be secured in Great Britain to home-grown wheat.

## Home Quota.

Mr. Baldwin, in his statement of policy, wrote:  
"In the case of wheat, we have already stated our intention, as part of our domestic agricultural policy, to introduce a system under which a definite proportion of the flour used to make the bread baked in this country shall be made from home-grown wheat."

"This proportion will be fixed from time to time in such a way that all the wheat of the requisite quality produced in this country will be utilised."

"We have adopted this method in preference to a tariff on foreign wheat because no tariff which we could recommend would be sufficient in itself to solve the problem of the wheat producer. In this country. But by combining a guaranteed price for wheat with the legislation to which I have referred we shall be able to give the home farmer not only a guaranteed market for his produce, but a market at a price which will make it worth his while to grow it."

## The Empire's Share.

Having provided that a fixed proportion of the British loaf shall be made of home-grown wheat it would be a natural extension of the plan to give an effective preference to the Empire in the shape of a further proportion allocated and secured to the Empire farmer and it may be pointed out that this system, while directly serving the interests of wheat growers both in the Empire and in our own country, would provide us with a completely effective antidote which tariffs alone would not supply to the dumping of Russian or bounty-fed wheat from foreign countries.



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## SEVEN NEW BILLS MOVED.

### YESTERDAY'S MEETING OF COUNCIL.

Seven new Bills were read a  
first time at a meeting of the  
Legislative Council, held in the  
Council Chamber yesterday after-  
noon.

His Excellency the Governor  
(Sir William Peel, K.B.E., C.M.G.)  
presided, and there were also pre-  
sent:

His Excellency the General  
Officer Commanding the Troops,  
(Major-Gen. J. W. Sandilands,  
C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.).

The Colonial Secretary (Hon.  
Mr. E. R. Hallifax, C.M.G., C.B.E.).  
The Attorney General (Hon.  
Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., O.B.E.).  
The Secretary for Chinese  
Affairs (Hon. Mr. A. E. Wood).

The Colonial Treasurer (Hon.  
Mr. C. McL. Messer, O.B.E.).  
Hon. Mr. H. T. Creasy, C.B.E.  
(Director of Public Works).  
Hon. Commander G. F. Hole,  
R.N. (Retired) (Harbour Master).  
Hon. Dr. A. R. Wellington  
(Director of Medical and Sanitary  
Services).

Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G.  
(Inspector General of Police).  
Hon. Sir Shouson Chow, Kt.  
Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton.  
Hon. Mr. C. Owen Hughes.  
Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie.  
Hon. Mr. J. P. Bray.  
Hon. Mr. S. W. Tso, C.B.E.  
LL.D.

Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson.  
Mr. N. L. Smith (Deputy Clerk  
of Council).

**Police Pensions.**  
The Attorney General moved  
the first reading of a Bill intitu-  
led "An Ordinance to amend the  
Police Force Ordinance, 1900." He  
said:—This Ordinance amends a  
section of the Principal Ordinance  
dealing with police pensions.

Under the Principal Ordinance  
the pension of every individual  
policeman has to come before the  
Governor-in-Council, even if the  
amount of his pension is merely a  
matter of calculation. The  
Ordinance is amended so that the  
Governor-in-Council shall have  
power to make rules affecting pen-  
sions and only exceptional cases  
where rules are inapplicable to an  
individual case, will be brought  
before the Governor-in-Council.

The Colonial Secretary seconded  
and the Bill was read a first time.

**American Probates.**  
The Attorney General moved  
the first reading of a Bill intitu-  
led "An Ordinance to amend the  
Probates Ordinance, 1897." He  
said:—Under the Real and Per-  
sonal Property Convention of  
Washington, 1899, provision was  
made for notification to the  
nearest American Consul when-  
ever a citizen of the United States  
died, leaving no heirs or testa-  
mentary executors, and to carry  
out that convention an amend-  
ment to the Probate Ordinance  
was enacted whereby the Re-  
gistrar should make that notifica-  
tion. It has now been agreed be-  
tween His Majesty's Government  
and the United States Government  
that notification to the nearest  
American Consul shall be made in  
all cases, without regard to whe-  
ther or not the deceased person  
has left heirs or testamentary re-  
presentatives in the Colony, so a  
small amendment is made to sec-  
tion 14 of the Principal Ordinance.

The Colonial Secretary seconded  
and the Bill was read a first time.

**Summary Offences.**  
The Attorney General moved  
the first reading of a Bill intitu-  
led "An Ordinance to amend the  
Summary Offences Ordinance, 1845." He  
said:—In the first part of this  
Ordinance amendments are made  
to the Summary Offences Ordinance  
in respect of fireworks, pro-  
cessions, notices and things of  
that kind which were formerly  
dealt with under Ordinance No. 3,  
of 1888, and it is considered desir-  
able that they should be transfer-  
red to a general one so they are  
transferred to the Summary  
Offences Ordinance of 1845. Sub-  
sequent sections are amendments  
which have been suggested from  
time to time under the Principal

Ordinance and all of them are ex-  
plained in the memorandum of  
Objects and Reasons attached to  
the Bill.

The Colonial Secretary seconded  
and the Bill was read a first time.

**District Watch Forces.**  
The Attorney General moved  
the first reading of a Bill intitu-  
led "An Ordinance to consolidate and  
amend the law relating to the Dis-  
trict Watch Force." He said:—  
The provisions of this Bill are  
practically the same as those con-  
tained in the Regulation of Chi-  
nese Ordinance, 1888. It has been  
decided that this very valuable  
force should have an Ordinance of  
its own and the name of the Com-  
mittee has been changed from  
The District Watchmen's Com-  
mittee to District Watch Com-  
mittee as more suitable and as  
preferred by the Committee them-  
selves.

The Colonial Secretary seconded  
and the Bill was read a first time.

**Theatrical Performances.**  
The Attorney General moved  
the first reading of a Bill intitu-  
led "An Ordinance to amend the law  
relating to theatrical perfor-  
mances at places of public enter-  
tainment." He said:—Here again  
the provisions of a special Ordinance  
have been transferred to a  
general Ordinance and made gen-  
erally applicable. This amend-  
ment will be particularly useful to  
the Treasurer in obtaining infor-  
mation he will need next year  
when he will have to collect his  
entertainment duties.

The Colonial Secretary seconded  
and the Bill was read a first time.

**Revision of Ordinances.**  
The Attorney General moved the  
first reading of a Bill intitu-  
led "An Ordinance for promoting the  
revision of the Ordinances of  
Hongkong by the repeal of Ordin-  
ances and other Enactments which  
are spent or no longer required,  
and by the correction of errors." He  
said:—The first section is the  
short title. The second section re-  
peals six Ordinances, the provisions  
of which have either been trans-  
ferred to other Ordinances or are  
deemed sufficiently covered by other  
provisions of the law. Section  
three repeals two sections of the  
Larceny Ordinance which are no  
longer necessary, being in one case  
an error which should have been re-  
pealed in 1928. Clause four  
amends a number of tiny errors  
which have been pointed out from

## NOVEL PINK WEDDING.

### MISS ELSIE TEN MARRIED TO MR. CHARLES CHAN.

St. John's Cathedral was prettily  
decorated with baskets of pink  
flowers, with the initials of the  
bride couple in pink and white  
roses, on Saturday when Miss  
Elsie Ten, daughter of Rev. George  
Sao Hoo Ten and the late Mrs. L.  
Ten, of Homebush, New South  
Wales, was married to Mr. Charles  
F. Chan, son of Mr. Chan Foo-sun  
and the late Mrs. Chan, of Hong-  
kong, by Rev. H. V. Koop.

The prevailing note of the  
wedding dresses was pink. The  
bride chose a bluish shade of silk  
tulle for her bodice, which was  
studded with diamante, and her  
long full flared skirt of the same  
colour carried pipings of silver.

The long pink tulle veil was sur-  
mounted with a silver cap and  
pink orange blossoms. For a  
bouquet she had a horse shoe of  
pink and white roses tied with  
silver ribbon.

Miss Rae Wong, the bridesmaid,  
was in pink and mauve georgette,  
made very long and trimmed with  
silver ribbon. Her large silver  
tulle evening hat was trimmed  
with pink tulle and long pink  
velvet ribbon streamers. Pink  
satin shoes completed the en-  
semble. She carried pink roses  
and maiden-hair fern tied with  
a frill of tulle.

Dr. S. Lu Szto gave the bride  
away and Dr. Douglas Laing was  
best man.

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was held at Lane Crawford's, who  
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The Colonial Secretary seconded  
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The Council was adjourned sine  
die.

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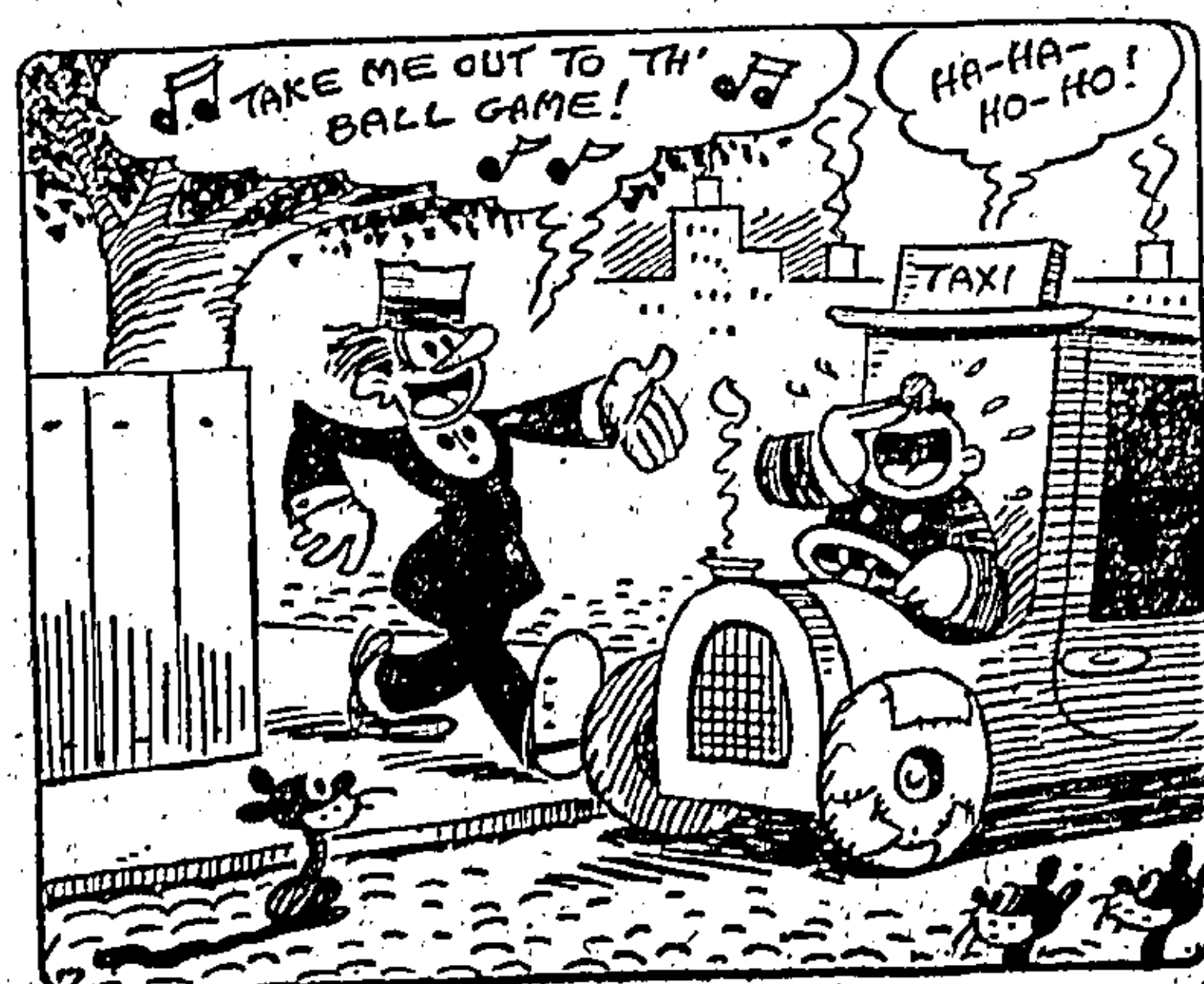
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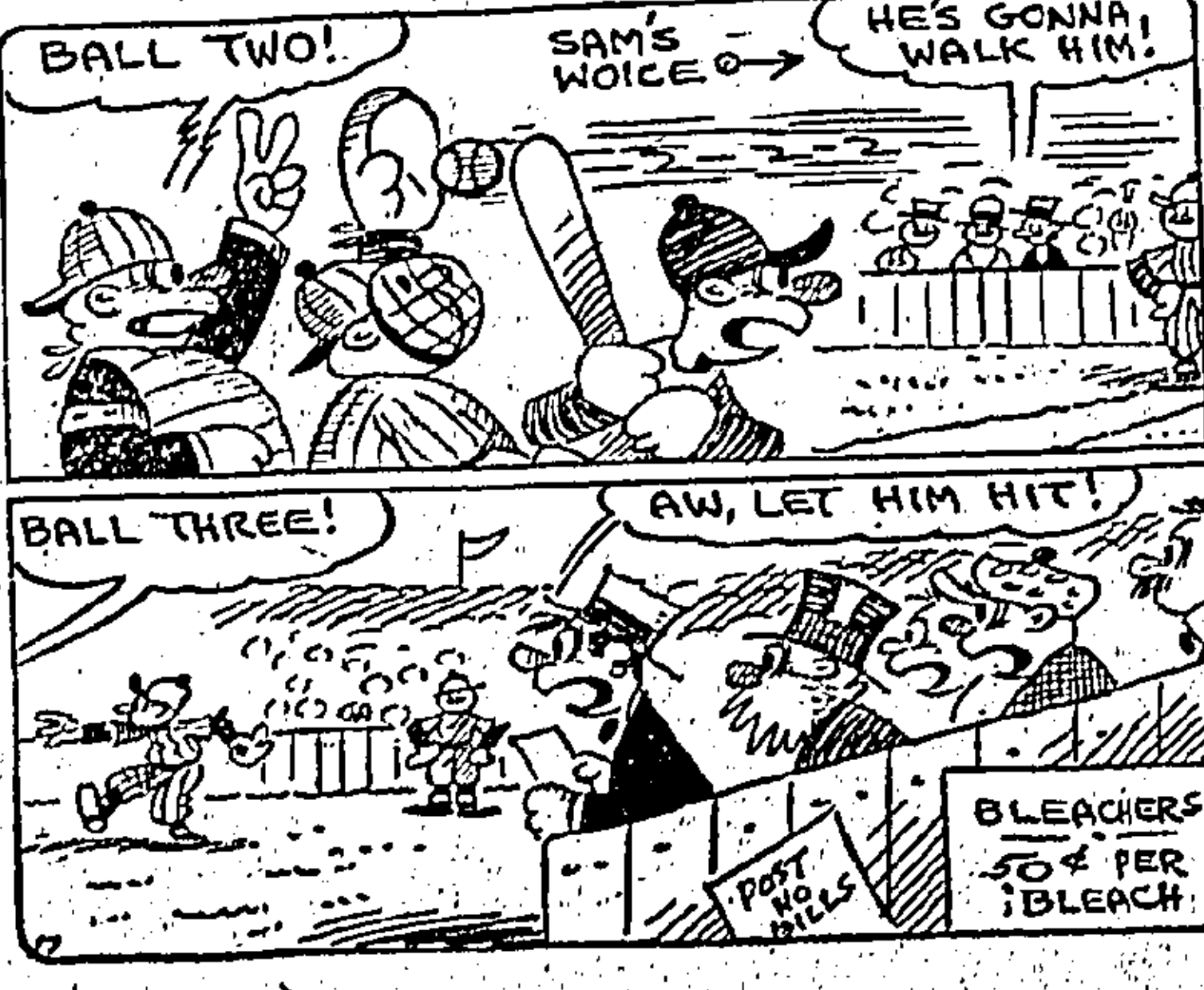


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## By Small







Countess Ciano, charming wife of the new Consul-General of Italy. She is the eldest daughter of Mussolini, Premier of Italy.



Tumultuous scenes marked the recent elections in Germany. Picture at the top shows Fascist leaders, Adolf Hitler (1) and Dr. Goebbels (2), saluting their supporters. Below, President Hindenburg is shown leaving a voting booth.



Count Geleazzo, who arrived recently in Shanghai to take over his duties as Italian Consul-General.



Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Downs, after a honeymoon trip round the world arrived in Shanghai on the President Fillmore.



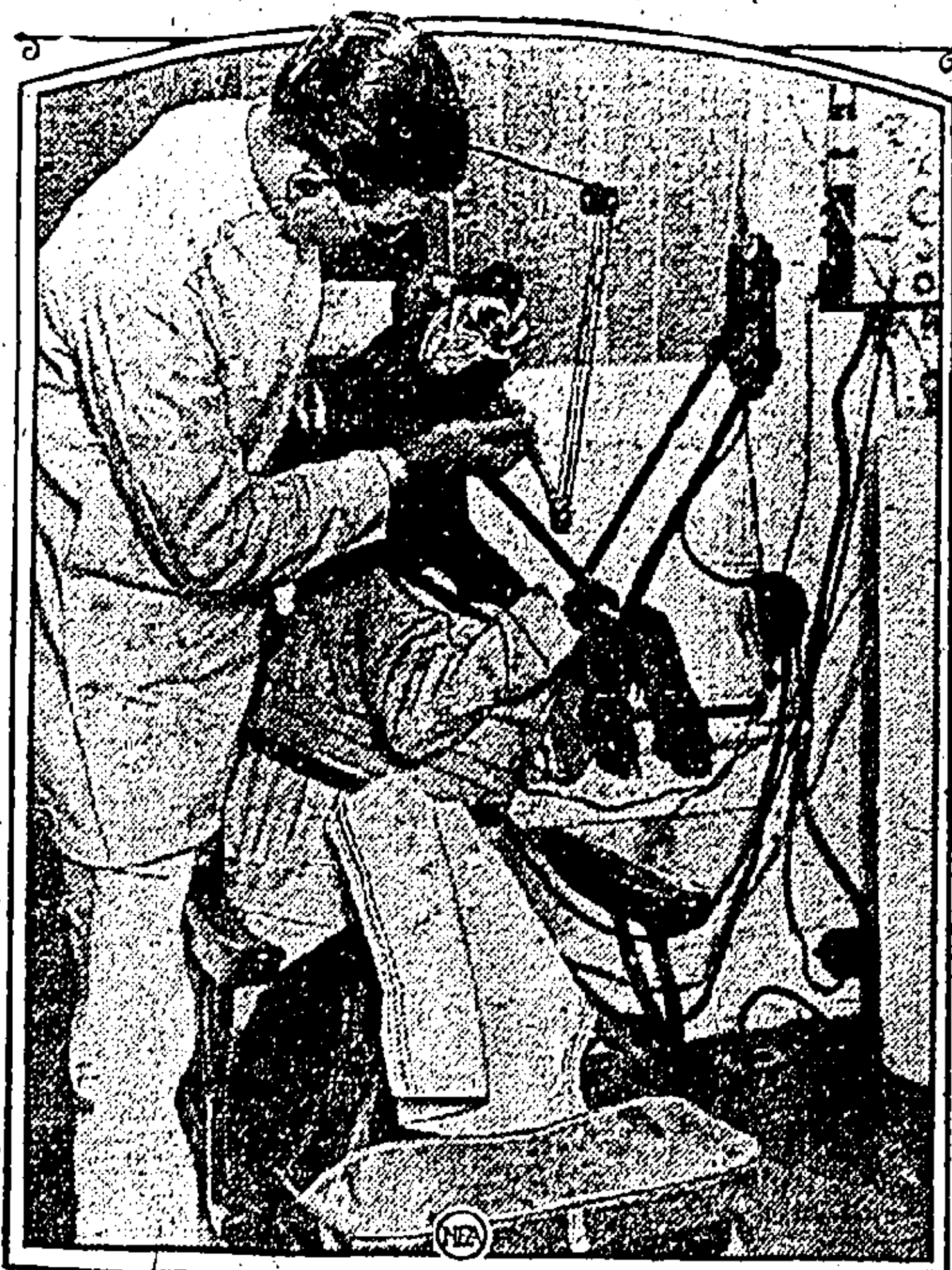
Miss Wong Siu-wen became the bride of Mr. Wang Ta-chuen recently. Mr. Wang is associated with the Customs as analyst.



The above photograph was taken in Shanghai on the occasion of the annual match "Under 30 v. Over 30," which resulted in a win for the latter.



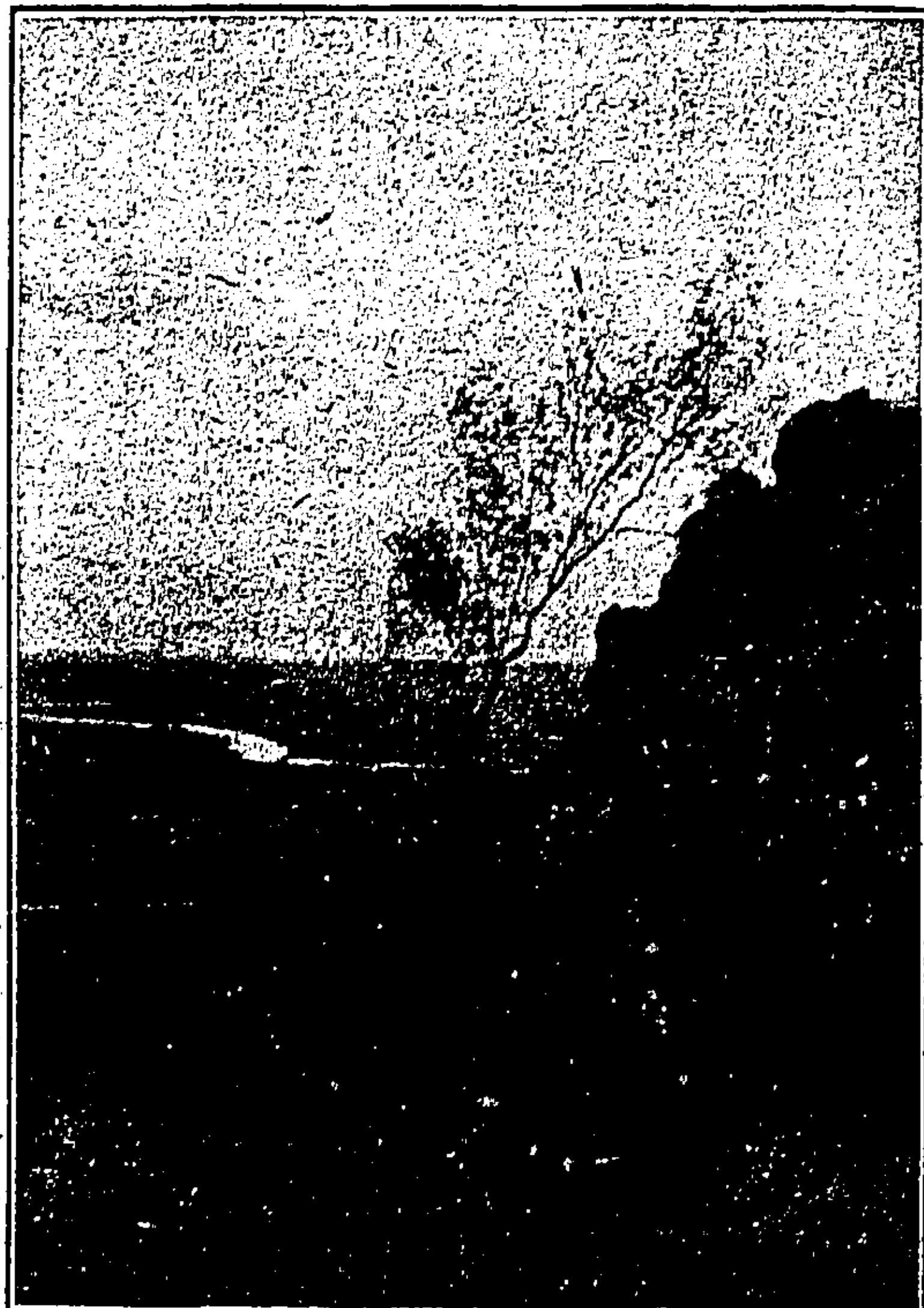
Miss Diana Churchill, daughter of Winston, who has become probationer nurse.



There was howling when this patient showed up at the dentist's office the other day. "Tino," pet dog of Mrs. Joseph P. Morgan of Washington, is seen responding to the dentist's request of "open wider, please."

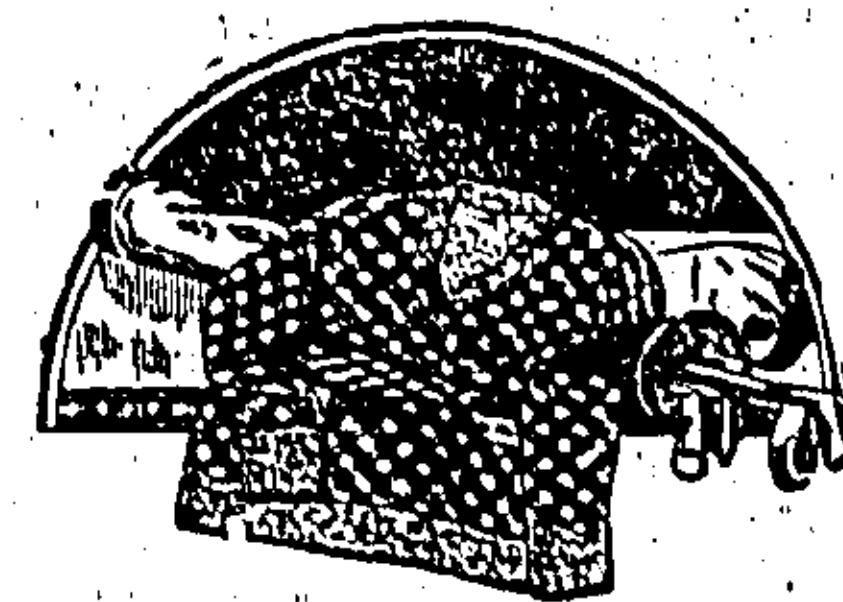


Florence Hin Low, aged 10, is handy on her hands as this photo would indicate. She is now in Los Angeles.



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### DEMOCRAT TIDE.

#### STILL RISING IN BOTH U.S. HOUSES.

New York, Nov. 6. It is now likely that the Democrats will predominate in both the Senate and the House of Representatives. The latest figures show that in the Senate the Democrats and Republicans have 47 seats each, and the Farmer-Labour Party one. The results in Kentucky have not yet been announced, but are likely to favour the Democrats. In the House of Representatives the Democrats have 205 seats and the Republicans 205. Farmer-Labour has one. Results in 20 cases are still awaited.—*Reuter's American Service.*

#### Deadlock Indicated.

New York, Nov. 6. With the position both in the Senate and the House of Representatives now amounting almost to a deadlock, Republicans and Democrats alike are breathlessly awaiting the final reports from outlying districts and the recounts in certain divisions. The division of parties in both Houses next Congress will be so close that neither party will have a working majority, and any independent movement which may develop on either side will be in a position to hold the balance of power.

The latest state of the parties in the House of Representatives is: Republicans 216, Democrats 210, Farmer-Labour one. The Democrats need all the eight outstanding seats for a bare majority.

#### New Record Majority.

Mr. Nicholas Longworth, the Republican Speaker in the House of Representatives, and Mr. W. C. Hawley (Oregon) who is chairman of the committee which framed the recent Tariff Act, have both retained their seats.

The Federal Secretary of Labour, Mr. J. J. Davis, has been elected to the Senate for Pennsylvania with the huge majority of 804,000, surpassing even the margin secured by Mr. Franklin Roosevelt for the Governorship of New York State.

Out of 32 States holding elections for Governors, the Democrats have won 16 and the Republicans 11.

The "wets" all over the country are jubilant at the results of the election, which give them 18 seats in the Senate and 135 in the House of Representatives. This is not overwhelming strength, but is considerable compared with four years ago, when most of the Congressmen would have considered it suicidal openly to oppose prohibition. It is now learned that the prohibition referendum in Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Illinois in each case resulted in a decisive victory for the "wets."

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### LOCAL RADIO.

#### OPERATIC AND COMEDY SELECTIONS.

To-day's radio programme to be broadcast by Z. B. W. on a wavelength of 355 metres:  
5.00 p.m. Chinese programme.  
7.00 p.m. European programme of H. M. V. and Victor records supplied by Messrs. Moutrie and Co. Band Concert.

Semper Fidelis March.  
The bells of St. Malo.  
Band of H. M. Coldstream Guards. 2647.

The Mikado-Selection.  
Band of H. M. Coldstream Guards. 2354.

Air de Ballet (Chaminade).  
Pas des Cymbales.  
Band of H. M. Coldstream Guards. 1501.

Trial by Jury-Selection (Sullivan).  
Band of H. M. Coldstream Guards.

7.30 p.m. From the Studio: The Rev. Mr. H. R. Wells will give the 15th Lesson from "Cantonese for Everyone."

8.00 p.m. Operatic Selections. The Rhinegold-entrance of the Gods into Valhalla (Wagner).  
Symphony Orchestra. 9109.

L'Africana-Lead me toward the vessel (Meyerbeer).  
Enrico Caruso-Tenor. 7155.

Norma-Hear me, Norma (Bellini).  
Rosa Ponselle-Marion Telva-Duet. 3110.

Prince Igor-How goes it Prince? Song of the Viking Guest.  
Feodor Chaliapin-Bass. 6867.

8.30 p.m. Experimental relay period.  
9.00 p.m. Weather report, Local Time and Press News.

9.05 p.m. Variety.  
Down among the Sugar-Cane.  
I get the Blues when it rains.

Johnny Marvin-Ed Smalley.  
Duet. 21559.

Eggs, Toast and Coffee.  
Just what I thought.  
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Roamin' In the Gloamin'.  
I Love a Lassie.  
Sir Harry Lauder-Scotch Specialty. 9012.

The clock and the Banjo.  
Harry F. Roser-Banjoist. 20439.

9.30 p.m. Musical Comedy Selections.  
The Gypsy Baron-Selection.  
Ferdie Kauffman and His Orchestra.

Veronica-Vocal Gems.  
The Arcadians.  
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Wake up and Dream-Selection.  
New Moon-Selection.  
New Mayfair Orchestra.

10.00 p.m. Selections from the Compositions of Franz Schubert.  
Serenade.  
Ave Marie.

John McCormack-Tenor.  
Vienna Waltzes.  
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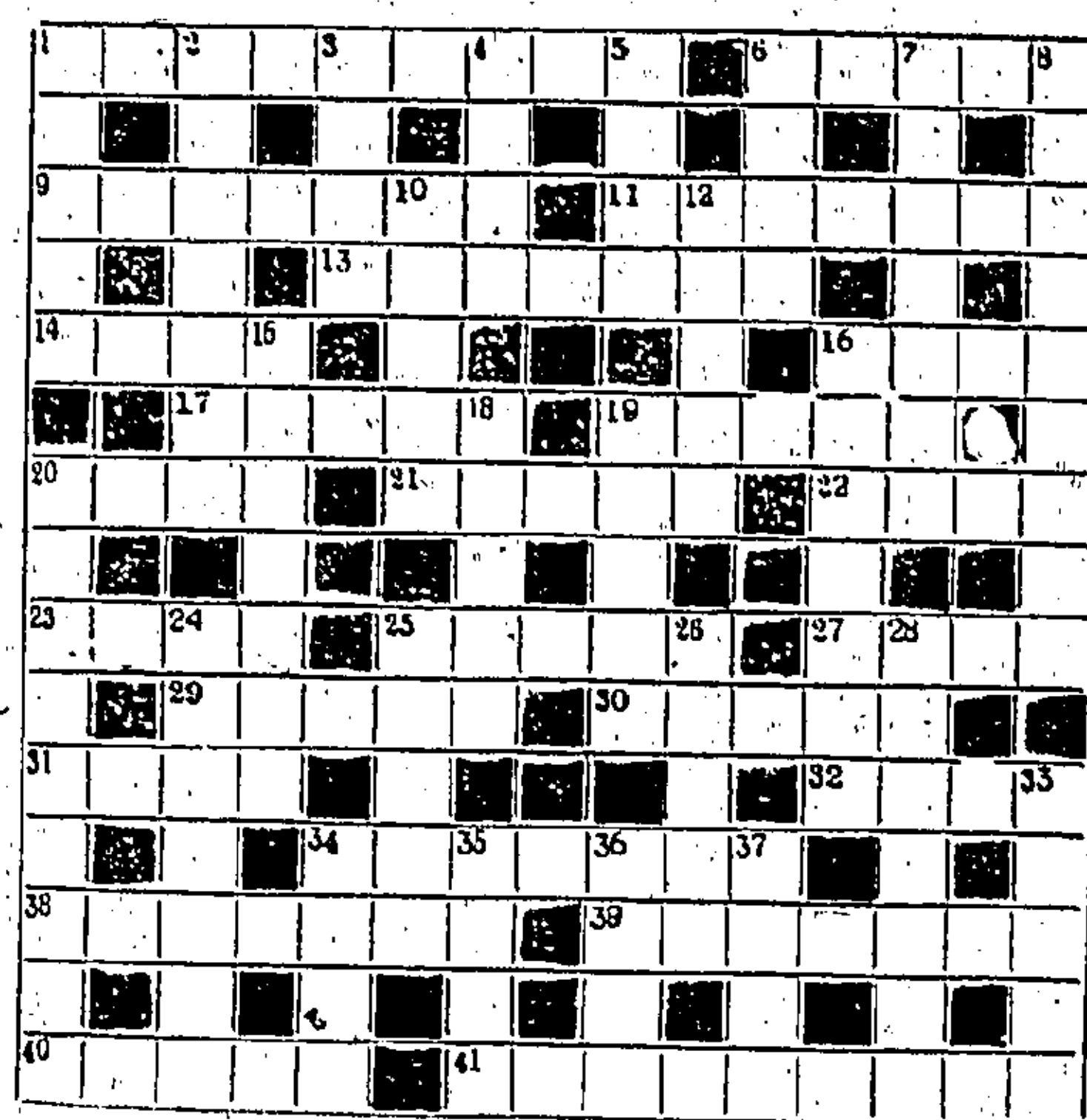
Victor Salon Orchestra.  
The Hurdy-Gurdy Man.  
Impatience and Farewell.  
Moments Musical.

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Medley of Waltzes (German).  
Menuetto in B Minor.  
Marche Militaire.

Victor Salon Orchestra.  
10.30 p.m. Close down.

The New York Times (Independent) attributes the landslide to widespread discontent with the Hoover administration's failure to deal effectively with unemployment and business depression. It says the Republican boast of party prosperity has come home to roost with a vengeance. The paper considers prohibition and the new Tariff Act to be other causes of the Republican reverse.—*Reuter's American Service.*

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#### Across

- 1 Sounds casual, but proceeds by rule.
- 6 Those who dare not do this, can be more careless of their footing.
- 9 Epithet suitable to some boarding-house diet.
- 11 A small cask.
- 13 A back door from ooth sides.
- 14 A diplomatic 'safety-valve'.
- 16 A weather safeguard or a garde-malade.
- 17 "Knowst thou the land where the citron blooms?" (hidden).
- 19 This devil is almost up to scratch.
- 20 In the mathematician's hands, this cuts a fine figure.
- 21 A fishy excretion.
- 22 A girl's true name.
- 23 A knotty point, especially for astronomers.
- 25 Injuries—severe, trifling, or merely irritating.
- 27 The proudest family heirloom.
- 29 Decidedly not a barrier.
- 30 Result of opening the flood-gates.
- 31 Item of commercial currency.
- 32 R. S. V. P.
- 34 Belongs to our salad days.
- 38 Consuming power.
- 39 A naval ally of England.
- 40 Outside the programme.
- 41 Wayfarers' recorders.

#### Down

- 1 A burning question.
- 2 What experience will do to over-confident youth.
- 3 "The dreary—of dilatory declamation."
- 4 Horses, or "the gray-mare" alone in action.
- 5 Change the final vowel, and convert a European island into a river.
- 6 When this is to be found in Egypt, the world goes well.
- 7 Sound advice to the would-be flatterer.

- 8 "Black is the raven, black is the rook" &c., is the schoolboy's substitute for this.
- 10 These are exempt from the rule that you shouldn't "call names."
- 12 Have a care with this nut.
- 15 An irreducible ingredient.
- 16 A dance unknown to Rag-time.
- 18 Reckon in the bill.
- 19 These and the next numbers indicate confusion.
- 20 If he wore shoes!
- 24 Epithet for offended woman's manner.
- 25 Our holiday-makers might almost be said to "bask" in this head-dress.
- 26 One of the ingredients of little girls, according to the nursery rhyme.
- 28 One of a retiring disposition.
- 33 Uncloses.
- 34 You will find this city by "perusing" it.
- 35 What an English bowler seems; when Bradman is batting.
- 36 The good people whom Burns detested.
- 37 A Frenchman's arm.

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### NANKING APPROVES.

#### SINO-BRITISH AGREEMENT RATIFIED.

Nanking, Nov. 6. The Central Political Council yesterday ratified the Sino-British Boxer Indemnity agreement.—*Reuter.*  
[This includes the big monetary grant to Hongkong University, recently announced.]

### RAILWAY RESUMES.

#### SERVICE MAINTAINED ON THE TIENSIN-PUKOW LINE.

Peking, Nov. 6. The Tientsin-Pukow Railway is now running four times weekly, starting and arriving punctually. The Blue Express is used once a week; while the other trains are made up with coaches from other lines.—*Reuter.*

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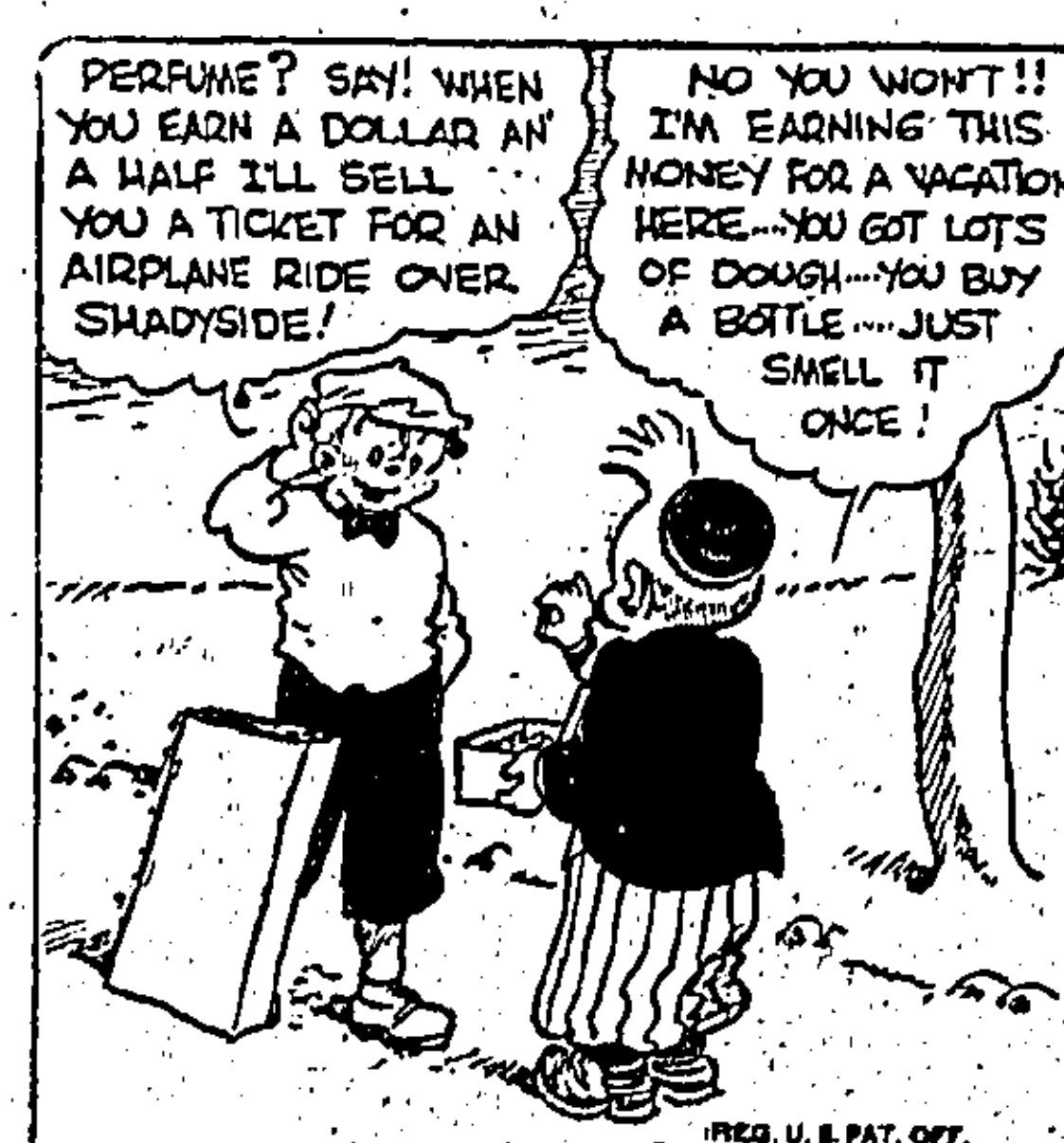
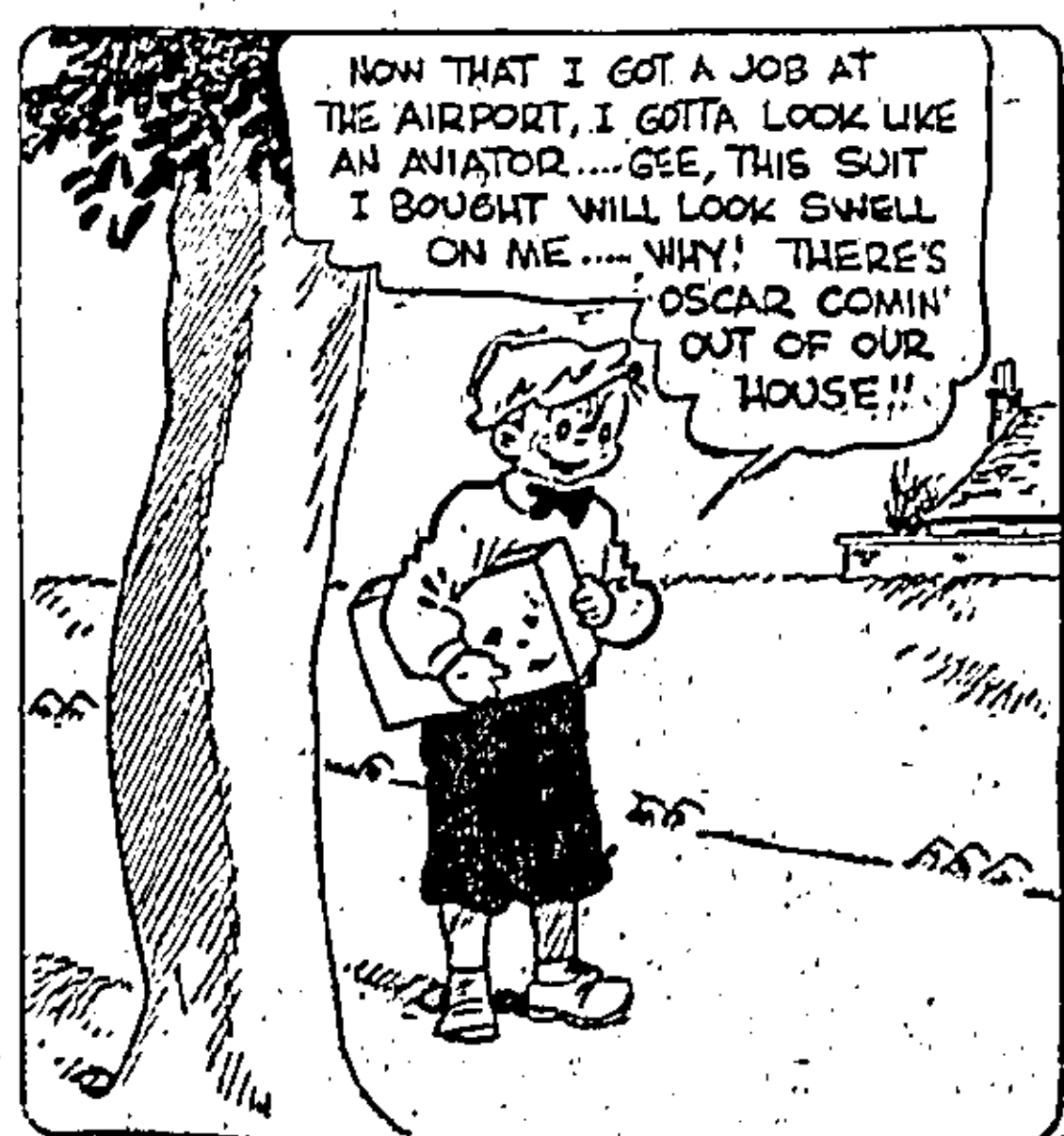
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**THE LIBERAL REVOLT.**

Few observers of British political developments will feel any surprise at the fact that some Liberals are beginning to kick over the traces in their resentment at being instructed to refrain from assisting the defeat of the Labour Government in the House of Commons. On the Conservative amendment dealing with unemployment, Party Headquarters ordered the Liberals to abstain from voting, but, girding at this, five went into the lobby against the Government and four gave their support to Labour. The numbers are not impressive, and, of course, they exercised no real influence in the vote. The significance of the incident is to be found in the fact that there are Liberals who object to their leader's tactics of still keeping Labour in power, and that such prominent personalities as the Chief Whip and Sir John Simon should go the length of registering their disapproval of Labour policy.

It is apparent from the tone of Mr. Lloyd George's remarks during the unemployment debate that he is animated more by considerations of expediency than anything else in refusing to lend himself to any movement which may jeopardise the Labour Government. Inasmuch as he criticised the Government's inaction in regard to unemployment, it would have been perfectly logical for him to support the Conservative amendment which merely regretted Labour's failure to propose measures adequate to deal with the industrial crisis or to check the growth of unemployment. Obviously he is not satisfied that the Government has done all that it might, but he declared that he could not support the Conservative amendment because it was Protectionist. It should be pointed out, however, that the actual terms of the amendment contained no reference whatever to Protectionism. Naturally, the Conservatives, in supporting the amendment, would advocate Protection as the only "adequate measure," but Liberal endorsement of the motion before the House would not have committed Mr. Lloyd George or his followers to support of the Conservative arguments. They would have their own ideas of the best manner in which to deal with the unemployment problem. So we reach the conclusion that if the Liberal leader were honest with himself—and the same may be said of those who took their cue from him—he would have no compunction in expressing by

his vote what he has declared in his recent speeches—that the Government has failed to do all that it might in regard to unemployment.

Liberal M. P.'s in visiting their constituencies have latterly found it very galling to meet the criticisms of their own supporters who have been complaining that by its attitude towards the Government the Liberal Party is endangering its existence as a separate political entity. In some instances they have been told that if the Liberal policy is to keep Labour in power, there is little reason why voters should go out of their way to support Liberal candidates. The argument has been made all the more unanswerable from the fact that many of these Liberal M.P.'s, who by their votes in the House have prevented the defeat of Labour, have not hesitated roundly to criticise the Government outside the House. Mr. Lloyd George, of course, may be a better tactician than many of his followers. He may realise that Liberalism will have nothing to gain from an early General Election. None the less, we can well understand and appreciate the impatience of the rank and file of the Party. Whether we are soon to have another General Election remains to be seen. If so, it would not be easy to forecast the outcome in view of the Conservative split on tariffs. But we imagine that even Labour is tired of running a Government on sufferance, and it might well be that another appeal to the country would do much to clear the air.

**World Gold Crisis.**

The threat of a world gold shortage in the near future, regarding which special League of Nations investigators have just issued an interim report, contains dangerous potentialities not generally realised. Apparently a matter of little interest to the man in the street, the shortage, which may show itself as soon as 1934, will certainly react unfavourably on his personal budget unless international action is taken to adjust matters. One of our principal troubles to-day is the fact that gold, as a concrete metal, is more in the vaults of banks than ever before. Immediately it disappears into immobility in this manner, it becomes in an economic sense "sterile," that is, it ceases to function as a basis for new credit. The less active gold there is in the world, the more it appreciates in value. And appreciation in gold values inevitably produces lower prices for commodities, particularly of raw materials such as wheat, sugar, cotton, rubber and so on. Already a serious slump in the price of such materials is shown to have had a big influence upon the present world-wide business depression and an extension of the downward trend would result in chaos. Obviously, it becomes of the utmost importance that gold should be stabilized as a basis for credit. One of the factors operating against stabilisation to-day is, of course, the maldistribution of existing stocks. America holds practically 45 per cent. of the world's total, more than twice as much as she needs to back her currency note liabilities, France's share is approximately 19 per cent. again far in excess of her needs. Meanwhile, Great Britain, Germany, the Argentine and other countries are seriously embarrassed by a weak position. It is becoming to be recognised that a more equitable distribution is one of the first essentials to a recovery of trade, but how to coax the gold out of vaults of the Federal Reserve Bank and the Bank of France must await the final recommendation of the League of Nations' committee. On the possibility of the new supply failing to satisfy demand, it is pointed out that the normal growth in population and world trade requires an increase of about 3 per cent. per annum in active gold stocks. This gain has not been maintained for several years. Of the annual output, valued at about £80,000,000, over a half is absorbed by jewellers and dentists, and "hoarders" in the Orient. It is necessary, therefore, lacking new goldfields, that the world should make better

**DAY BY DAY**

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—Alexander Ramsay.

Yesterday's health return shows one Chinese case of typhoid fever.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Pearce returned from Shanghai by the P. and O. liner Macedonia.

Chan Tai, a boatwoman, has reported to the police that her one-year-old son disappeared from the craft while it was moored alongside the Mongkok Ferry Wharf, the night before last, and is believed to have been drowned.

There will be a Lantern Lecture held at Helena May Institute on Tuesday November 18th at 8.30 p.m. when Mr. P. J. Price will speak on "Holiday in Indo-China". The Rev. T. Featherstone will be in the chair. Open to the Public. Admission \$0.30 Children \$0.20.—Advt.

The Annual Dinner of the Royal Engineers Old Comrades' Association is advertised to take place in the Savoy Hotel, on Wednesday, November 12th, at 8.30 p.m. Tickets at \$2.50 each may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary, Chief Engineer's Office, Victoria Barracks.

As the Yaumati ferry Man Yee was steaming off the Naval Yard at Kowloon, last evening, the cry of "Man overboard!" was raised, and the vessel was turned round to enable a search to be made for a passenger who was believed to have jumped overboard. In spite of prolonged cruising about the area, no trace was found of the man.

**MAN WITH 10,000 HEROIN PILLS.**

**ARRESTED ON WATERFRONT YESTERDAY.**

Over 10,000 heroin pills were being carried by a Chinese on the central waterfront yesterday when Revenue Officers stopped him and asked where he had obtained them. He replied that a passenger on the King Yuen from Canton had paid him two dollars to bring the pills ashore.

The man was remanded by Mr. Lindsay this morning for further enquiries when charged with possession.

use of existing stocks. Some co-operation between nations is demanded. Certainly it is not conceivable that financiers will acquiesce in a long-term declining trend of commodity prices merely because they cannot bear to part with their surplus stocks.

THOMAS BURKE discusses

**THE HOLLYWOOD MIND.**

And tells a new story about G.B.S.

MR. ELMER RICE's recently published book, "A Voyage to Puerilia," is a deliciously solemn satire on life as presented on the cinema screen; but from my experience of the people of the film world the title would have served equally well for a book on Hollywood. Nobody who has seen any of the advertising matter issued by American film companies needs to be told of these people's utter ignorance of the meaning of words, but not until you meet them do you fully realise their abysmal illiteracy. I have never (thank goodness) had to go to Hollywood, but I have met scores of its people on this side, and I doubt if one could find anywhere a community with a lower standard of education or even of common understanding. Schoolboy howlers, which appear in the Press every year at examination time, are entirely outclassed by the howlers committed by adult film people. At first, when some of them were reported to me, I used to think they were invented, so incredible were they; but after some contact with the film world I changed my view. Until films were invented nobody guessed that there were so many grown-up ninnies in the world.

**Smart Lads!**

Could a six-year-old schoolboy beat this? The management of one of the big film companies invited a number of Australian exhibitors, with whom they did business, to come to Hollywood at their expense and spend a week in the studios. A man was detailed to show them round the studios and explain every process to them. As they went round the studios the boss of the company followed, incognito, at a distance, to watch the effect. At the end of the morning he sent for the guide and asked "Where did we invite these guys from?" "Australia." "Australia? Australia? How long it takes 'em to get here?" "Three weeks." "Three weeks? Say, they learnt English pretty good in three weeks." That story is true, and its hero is one of the kings of films.

This same man felt, at one time, that the stories from his scenario department were getting stale. New sources of stories must be found, and he ordered one of his lieutenants to get a list of all the outstanding writers in Europe, and ask each of them which of their books were available for filming. The result was that letters making handsome offers for film-rights were received by Sigismund Freud, Albert Einstein, Benedetto Croce, Bergson, and a number of other writers whose names had been found in a high-brow publisher's list. That was pretty good, but I think a rival company beat it by writing to "Sir

**Bound Things in Covers!**

A friend of mine who visited Hollywood told me of an encounter with one of its star comedians who lives in a villa that would have turned a Roman Emperor sick with envy. It has a swimming-bath, a carp pool, its own dirt-track, its own running track, its five courts, four tennis courts, its cinema theatre, its plays theatre, its music-room, and lord knows what else. To my friend, who was wandering about the studio, came the comedian. "Say, I'd like to know yeh. Yeh write books, they say." "Yes." "Er—books. Bound things, in covers?" "Yes." "And when y'open these books the story don't start right away. There's a blank page or so—eh?" "Yes." "Well, I'd be mighty glad if yeh'd give me one of yer books and write yer name on that blank page. And I'll have it laid on my hall table." "Well, yes," my friend said, "I'll do that for you. But as you don't seem to know much about books, would you mind telling me why you want it?" "Well, boy, honest I don't know. But everybody in Hollywood's doing it!"

**Now, What's the Idea?**

One of my own encounters with the breed happened in the Savoy Hotel, when I was suddenly introduced to a terrible creature named Gus or Bud or Snip or some such name. He was oiled and scented and jewelled. He had diamonds on the right hand and diamonds on the left, and at every remark he flipped his fingers under my nose and threw flashes of lightning in my eyes. He is another of the kings of films. "Author, eh? Yer last book been filmed? No? Then lemme have a copy." "It wouldn't interest you," I said. "It's quite unsuitable for filming." "Whadyeh mean?" "It's not the kind of thing that would make a picture." "No? Well, why naht? What's the idea—writing a book that's gaht no film interest? You English authors don't know the first thing about yer business. Lissen—you see that yer next book's gaht plenty of good filmstuf in it. If it has, we maght do something. I'm just now looking for a real cracker-jack love-and-detective story. (Flip-flip.) Think it over, boy. (Flip-flip.) And don't be such a fool as to write a book that ken't be filmed. That kinda thing's no use to us. No use a Tall!"

But my favourite story of these lunatics is of the scene, witnessed by a friend of mine, between a Hollywood magnate and that

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"Comb yer hair, Mister?"



## NEW FRENCH NAVY POLICY.

## FAR EASTERN FORCES TO BE REINFORCED.

## A NEW VICE-ADMIRAL.

In an important statement regarding the expansion of French Naval Forces in the Far East, the French Minister of Marine (M. J. L. Dumesnil) recently said:

"Regarding our naval forces in the Far East," he declared, "I have decided to place at their head a Vice-Admiral instead of a Rear-Admiral, in order that the General Officer who commands them may not find his position diminished on a point of the order of precedence.

"The question of precedence has a considerable importance in those concentrated latitudes, where are concentrated numerous foreign men-of-war. We can, moreover, be led whenever required, to reinforce our naval force. In this connection, I am advised that the dispatch-boat Regulus has just gone to China waters. I have, accordingly, chosen, as Commander-in-Chief of our naval forces there, Vice-Admiral Herr.

## Light Tonnage Construction.

"I am strongly in favour of the reconstruction of our naval divisions: it is for us a necessity. We are going to build for our dispatch boats built for Colonial stations. I am hastening the construction of gunboats of light draught, of light motor vessels, which can navigate inland rivers and penetrate certain places where the depth of the waterways is not too great. I shall give the command of these boats to young sub-lieutenants and midshipmen, in such a manner as to accustom them to take decisions and assume responsibilities. In this way, wherever we have interests, we shall be represented."

Previous dispatches have referred to the possibility of an increase also in French cruiser tonnage by the reinforcement of the present flagship "Waldeck Rousseau" with cruisers of a similar type. Submarines were also to have strengthened the defences of Indo-China coastal waters. The present French naval strength in Far Eastern waters consists of the Waldeck-Rousseau and half-a-dozen gunboats and dispatch boats patrolling the rivers of China.

Vice-Admiral Herr recently passed through on his way up North to assume his new command in place of Rear-Admiral Mouget who has gone back to France. "Vice-Admiral Herr's appointment has been favourably received as much in this Colony as by French interests in China," says the *Avenir de Tonkin*.

## FAILED TO REPORT ACCIDENT.

## TAXI DRIVER WHO KNOCKED RESIDENT DOWN.

An accident to Mr. H. Ruttenjoe outside the Post Office, in Pedder Street recently, had a sequel before Mr. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning when a taxi driver was charged with failing to report the mishap.

The defendant pleaded guilty and stated that he did not notify the police because Mr. Ruttenjoe was not badly hurt.

His Worship replied that that had nothing to do with it.

Inspector Alexander informed his Worship that the defendant had knocked Mr. Ruttenjoe down as he (defendant) was driving his vehicle on to the parking stand outside the Post Office. It was a rather awkward position, with one of the Company's vehicles occupying the east side and another the west side. The defendant was taking up his position on the west side and was manoeuvring into place when he knocked Mr. Ruttenjoe down. Mr. Ruttenjoe, however, was not very badly hurt.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$10.

## TYPHOON STRIKES ILOILO.

## COMES AND GOES WITH STARTLING SPEED.

Thousands are reported homeless and several probably killed in a severe typhoon which came and went with the suddenness of a cyclone striking Iloilo and interior towns on Tuesday morning, razing homes, unroofing school houses and churches and blowing down telegraph and telephone poles.

The typhoon came without any warning. Typhoon signals were hoisted hurriedly, one after another, and at 4 o'clock when the wind was at its greatest intensity, signal No. 4 was hoisted. From 4 o'clock on the typhoon started to abate and at 8 o'clock the wind and the rain had subsided and beautiful, sunny weather prevailed again.

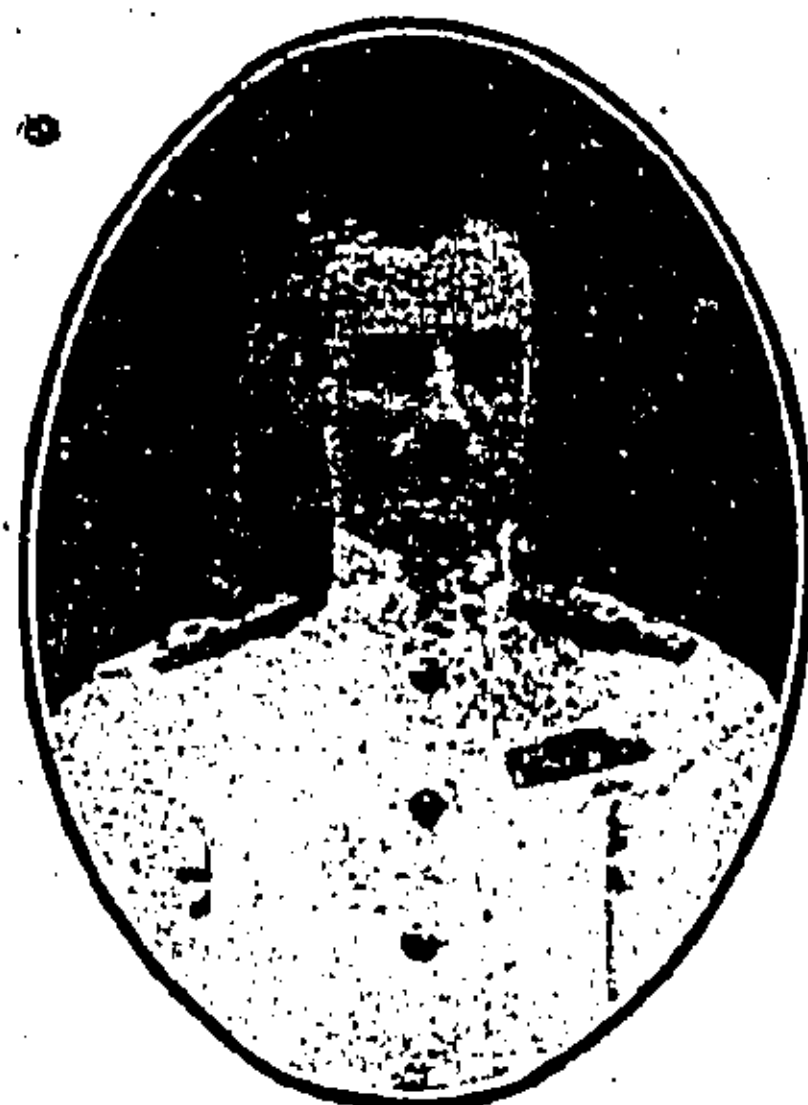
## LEAVES FOR HOME TO-MORROW.

## REAR-ADMIRAL R. A. S. HILL DEPARTING.

## SUCCESSOR HERE.

To-morrow, Hongkong will be losing a very popular naval officer in the person of Rear-Admiral R. A. S. Hill, C.B.E., who has been Commodore here for the past two years. He is proceeding home by the P. and O. liner Macedonia, embarking from Queen's Pier at 10.45 a.m.

Rear-Admiral Hill, who was awarded the C.B.E. (Military Division) in the New Year Honours this year, has won much popularity in naval and social circles since his arrival here and received many congratulations on his promotion to flag rank in April last.



Rear-Admiral Hill.

He joined the Service in January 1894, and specialized as a navigator. He was Lieutenant (N) of the Harrier during the Somali campaign in 1902-3, and when the Great War began was commander (N) of the flagship King Edward VII. in the Grand Fleet. After the loss of that vessel by mine in January, 1916, he moved with Vice-Admiral Bradford and staff into the Britannia.

From December, 1916, he served aboard the King George V. flagship of Vice-Admiral de Robeck, also in the Grand Fleet, and was promoted to Captain in December, 1918. He afterwards became Flag-Captain to Admiral de Robeck in the Mediterranean. Head of the Naval Personnel Committee, and Flag-Captain to Rear-Admiral W. W. Fisher in the Far East, Rear-Admiral Hill is a qualified interpreter in French.

The new Commodore, Captain Arthur Horace Walker, O.B.E., arrived in the Colony yesterday by the P. and O. liner Rawalpindi, being accompanied by Mrs. Walker. He was promoted Captain in June, 1920, and has since January, 1929, commanded the battleship Warspite of the 1st Battle Squadron, Mediterranean Fleet.

## RAILWAY STRIKE IN PHILIPPINES.

## SERVICE COMPLETELY PARALYSED.

The train service of the Philippine Railway Company between Iloilo and Capiz has been completely paralysed as a result of a strike declared by 500 railway workers at 9 o'clock on Monday morning.

The strike was declared following the summary dismissal of 25 employees, allegedly without cause. The striking workers sent a petition to the officials of the company demanding the reinstatement of the 25 employees and the removal of W. A. Allen, head of the mechanical division; H. H. Sherrard, train master; A. W. Isham, auditor, and Nicolas Cemon, roundhouse foreman. The petition also asked for a raise in salary for the striking employees. The strikers in their petition praised R. R. Hancock, vice-president and general manager of the company, saying that he is kind and just.

## 21 YEARS AGO.

## SOME EXTRACTS FROM THE "TELEGRAPH" FILES.

The following extracts are from the *Hongkong Telegraph* for the week ended November 6th, 1909.

The rate of the dollar on demand was 1s. 8.11/16d.

Mr. W. J. Gresson placed at the disposal of the Boys' Own Club a plot of land at East Point for recreation purposes.

The marriage took place at St. John's Cathedral of Mr. W. Armstrong and Miss Dora Humphreys.

Hongkong scored 876 in the International shooting match, the team including Mr. G. P. Lammert and Mr. R. Lapsley.

## KOWLOON SALE OF WORK.

## ARGYLL'S BAND TO RENDER SELECTIONS.

By kind permission of Lt. Col. R. G. MacLaine, M.C., and Officers of the 93rd Highlanders, the Military Band of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders will play at the upper end of the K.C.C. grounds, which the Cricket Club has generously lent for the sale of work, organized by the Women's Guild of the Kowloon Union Church on behalf of the new Church and Manse to-morrow afternoon.

There is no charge for admission. The Band will play selections from the time the sale is opened by Lady Peel at 3 o'clock all through the afternoon. Teas will be served at 50 cents per head.

There will be plenty of side shows to amuse the children including an aerial railway, coconut shies and other delights. A bowling match will take place on the green, three teams representing Union Church, Hongkong, joining with Kowloon Union Church players to challenge all-comers.

## THE "TELEGRAPH" ART SUPPLEMENT.

## Many Topical Pictures To-Morrow.

To-morrow's issue of the *Telegraph* Art Supplement will once again contain numerous pictures of topical interest.

Of sporting pictures, the events illustrated will include the hockey match between Hongkong ladies and the Y.M.C.A. second eleven, the lawn bowls championship final, and a group of the Tamar water polo team.

Many interesting groups will appear, these including the guests at a tea party given by the Hon. Sir Shouson Chow at Aberdeen to H. E. the Governor and Lady Peel, another of the Education Society of the Hongkong University, two of Catholic Boy Scouts and Girl Guides, and one taken at the Harbour Department presentation to Mr. and Mrs. Haat.

The wedding of Mr. C. F. Chan and Miss Elsie Tin will be illustrated, whilst there will be an interesting picture of Hongkong by night and two charming studies of Lantau Peak.

## THE "VOICE" OF BRITAIN.

## RUGBY AS WORLD'S PHONE EXCHANGE.

A picture of Rugby as the world's telephone exchange was envisaged by Mr. H. B. Lees-Smith, the Postmaster-General, at the annual dinner of the Birmingham Civil Service.

"We have secured for this country," he declared, "the central position in the system of long-distance telephone services of the world. The subscriber to a British telephone can communicate by conversation with 90 per cent. of all the telephone subscribers on earth.

"If any of you visit Rugby," he said, "you will find an aerial system pointing to the United States.

"A few yards, and there is a section plotted out in which there will be an aerial system pointing to Canada.

"A few yards in the other direction and there is a system pointing to South Africa. A few more, to India; a few more, to Australia.

"In this way, when the system is complete, the world voice of Great Britain will speak from Rugby not only to the Dominions, but to all the more important countries of the world."

## DEMOCRATIC LEADER LABELLED.

## WASHINGTON POSTER ON SELLING SHORT.

Washington, Nov. 1. Mr. John J. Raskob, Democratic National Chairman, to-day declared that a poster which suddenly made its appearance in the streets was libellous.

This poster declared that Mr. Raskob had sold stocks "short," aiding in bringing about the economic depression in the United States.

Mr. Raskob said that he had never sold short after the stock market break. He intends to hold publishers everywhere accountable on court charges of libel if they used this or similar statements against him.

## WOMAN GETS GAOL SENTENCE.

## CONVICTED OF DEFRAUDING A GROCER.

## OLD TRICK TRIED.

A Chinese woman, carrying a baby in her arms, answered a charge of fraud from the dock at the Central Police Court this morning. She was accused of obtaining \$5 by false pretences from a grocer at Cross Street.

Detective Sergeant Ritchie stated that the woman tendered a ten-dollar note after buying one dollar's worth of rice. She was given four silver dollars and the remaining five dollars in ten-cent pieces done up in a roll.

Profiting from a moment of inattention while the accountant was attending to the requirements of other customers, the woman hastily tucked the roll under her girle, and demanded another five dollars from him, pretending that she had not been given full change.

The accountant was not to be convinced, and he called in a woman from the street, who searched the suspect and found the dollars where she had hidden them under her girle.

The accountant told the Court that he kept the woman under observation the whole while she was in the shop, having been, two months ago, similarly victimized by her but having not ventured to have her searched on that occasion.

Sergeant Ritchie said the woman had more than \$300 on her when searched. Subsequent enquiries brought a statement from her husband that the amount represented two years' savings he had accumulated as a ship's carpenter, and had given it to her to take care of.

The woman was convicted and sentenced to three months' hard labour by the Magistrate (Mr. Lindsell).

## LADIES' NIGHT AT Y.M.C.A.

## EXCELLENT PROGRAMME GIVEN LAST NIGHT.

There was an excellent attendance of members and friends at the European Y.M.C.A. Ladies' Night yesterday when an entertainment of pleasing variety, was presented. Messrs. J. C. Grenham and G. W. E. True were responsible for arranging the programme which reflected credit both upon them and the artists who contributed. Each item was enthusiastically received and encore was freely demanded and given.

Those contributing to the programme were—Mrs. Oswald Womack and Mr. A. Hyde Lay (songs), Mr. A. H. Musson (banjo solos), Mr. J. J. Ferguson (recitations), Major H. J. D. Clark (entertainer) Bandsman Ford, S.L.I. (trumpet solos) and Mrs. C. Scott-Little (accompanist). A new feature was provided in a gramophone recital with records on the Victor-Radio-Electrola, kindly lent by Messrs. S. Moutrie and Co., Ltd.

It was announced that the next Y.M.C.A. dance had been arranged for Thursday, November 20.

## MRS. BRUCE LANDS AT HANOI.

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ing skill had never been equalled. In bitterly cold and stormy weather they drove a car for ten days continuously on the Monthery track in France, covering 15,000 miles at an average speed of 68 m.p.h. and beating several records. It was not until the fifth day, when an accident delayed them for 16 hours and injured her husband, that she accepted occasional relief in driving from another motorist.

In November, 1928, she drove from Stockholm to Monte Carlo over roads which for about 500 miles were covered with deep snow.

## Cross-Channel Feat.

Returning to the racing track the next year, she accomplished at Monthery the most remarkable feat standing to the credit for a woman motorist. Driving a car continuously for 24 hours with only one or two brief breaks for snatches of food, she covered over 2,200 miles at 90 m.p.h. This broke not only the previous 24-hour speed record (73 m.p.h.), but also that for the finest non-stop run by a single driver.

Interpersed with these activities were speed trials with motorboats, of which she possessed four. In 1927 she crossed the English Channel from Dover to Calais and back, a distance of 45 miles, in 107 minutes, making a new record. But in August, 1929, she beat this and also a record of 83 minutes set up by Kaye Don in the interval, for she covered the distance in 79 minutes.

## EASMAS CLUB TO BE CLOSED.

## ANNUAL MEETING ENDORSES PROPOSAL.

## LAST YEAR'S LOSS.

Capt. T. T. Laurensen, D.S.C., presided at the annual meeting of the Ex-Active Service Men's Association last evening, when it was decided to close down the Club for financial reasons. A loss on the year's working of \$2,785.62 was reported. Amongst those present were Messrs. H. J. Pearce, M.C., E. S. Carter, R. J. Hunt, S. C. Feltham (Hon. Secretary) and S. Hampden Mess.

In bringing the proposal for the closing of the Club before the meeting, the President said that the General Committee had considered the matter very carefully and they felt it their bounden duty to recommend the closing down of the Club, which was in the best interest of the Association.

Mr. Ross expressed the view that it was better to close down now rather than continue to run the Club at a loss.

An amendment was made by a member, who moved that the Club be allowed to continue for another three months. The suggestion followed a discussion during which it was felt that, rather than close down the Club altogether, the possibility of keeping the Club alive by acquiring smaller premises, increasing subscriptions, and reduction of expenses other means should be considered.

The amendment, however, was put to the meeting and defeated.

The main proposal for the closing down of the Club was then put before the meeting and was carried by a majority of 13 votes to 4. A further proposal was made, and agreed to, that the present officers remain in office for the purpose of closing down the Club. It was indicated that the Club be closed down at the end of the current month, and that by the end of the year the affairs in this connection will be closed.

Although the Club will be closed down for financial reasons, the Association will continue to function and carry on its activities as heretofore.

Votes of thanks were passed at the meeting to Mr. Feltham for his services as Honorary Secretary and to the President for the able manner in which he presided at the meeting.

It was decided to hold a dinner at the Hongkong Hotel on Armistice Day (November 11) under the auspices of the Association. All ex-active service men irrespective of whether they are members of the Association or not, are eligible to take part in the dinner.

The charge for the dinner will be \$5 per head, the dress to be worn being optional.

## THE HOLLYWOOD MIND.

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European author who is famous for his graceful essays and his atmospheric plays. This author had somehow been induced by the magnate to leave home and travel to Hollywood.

On his arrival at New York he was received like a prince and sent off to Hollywood like a prince. A special white-and-gold coach was reserved for him, and the magnate, having filled the platform with reporters, made a God-speed speech. The speech ran over the author's previous achievements as dramatist, essayist and philosopher, and went on thus: "Well, now, Mister M., yeh going now into something different. Yeh gonna tackle something new—something outa yeh line. Yeh gonna work in a new—new (somebody whispered "medium") meedum. But, Mister M., I wanna go on record as saying that from what Ah know of yeh earlier work, Ah'm convinced that yeh'll (two smacks—on the back) Make Good!"

Shaw and the Great Message.

One more story. I cannot vouch for its truth, but I can believe it. It concerns this magnate and Mr. Bernard Shaw. The magnate wanted Shaw's plays for the film, and, after inquiring about Shaw, decided that he was big enough to merit a personal visit. He visited him, and for an hour he talked to him of his Art and his Message, and of what the films could do to carry his Great Message to China and the Pacific Islands, and to other countries which had so far been denied this Great Message. He talked of the world's need of this message. He talked of everything except money. At the end of an hour, the story says, Shaw stopped him. "I fear we are wasting each other's time. We are so utterly opposed that there is no hope of our coming to an agreement. You, from your talk, I perceive, are an artist. I am a business man."

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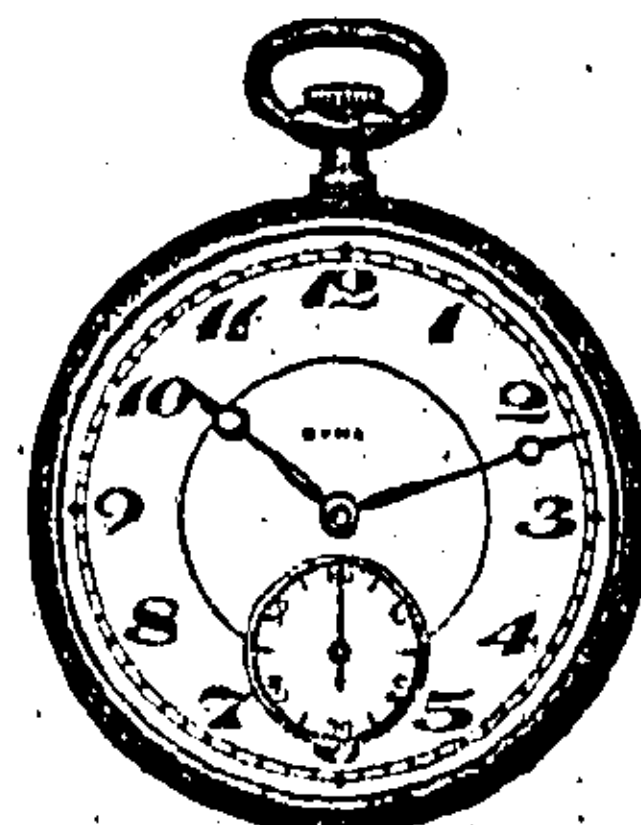
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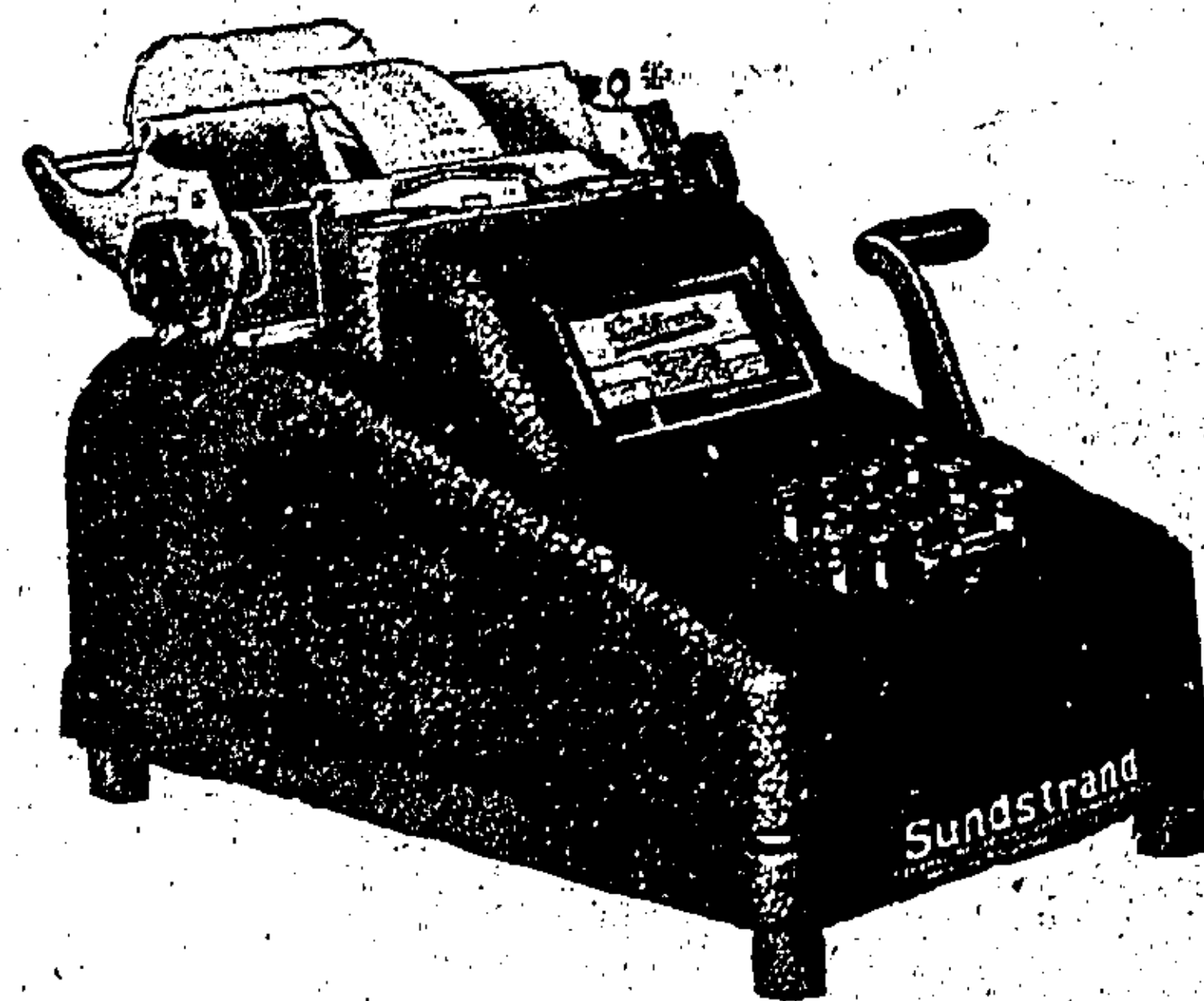
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Prague	163 1/2	163 1/2		
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## THE WORLD OF SPORT

### LOCAL FOOTBALL TO-MORROW.

KOWLOON VISITORS TO CAROLINE HILL.

### CLUB TEAM CHANGES.

[By "Wanderer"]

Chinese Athletic will not take the field to-morrow "owing to the fact that many of their players are still in the country in connection with the Chung Yang Festival." The League Management Committee has agreed to the postponement of these games. Meanwhile no decision has been taken on the suggestion of the Athletic's withdrawal from the league in consequence of their dispute with the H.K.F.A. over the suspension of Tso Kwai-sing and Chan Kwong-ai, while extracts from a letter written by Mr. M. K. Lo to Mr. R. M. Dyer, published yesterday, show that South China Athletic Association are exhibiting an active sympathy with the Athletic in the matter. It is a ticklish problem, ament which no comment seems likely to serve any useful purpose just now. The amended fixture list for to-morrow follows:

#### Senior Division.

Police v. Recreation—Kowloon, 4.15.  
South China v. Kowloon—Caroline Hill, 4.15.  
Navy v. Argyls—Stadium, 4.15.  
St. Joseph's v. Club—Club, 4.15.

#### Second Division.

Club v. Navy Res.—Club, 2.45.  
St. Joseph's v. Eastern—St. Joseph's, 2.45.  
South China v. Argyls—Caroline Hill, 2.45.  
Kowloon v. Somersets—Kowloon, 2.45.  
University v. Recreation—Chinese H. V., 2.45.

#### Third Division.

R. A. F. v. Fukien—Recreation, 2.45.  
Somersets v. Ewo—Chatham Road, 4.15.

The game of the day is that between South China, the league leaders, and Kowloon, at Caroline Hill. Both teams will be at full strength, Kowloon fielding the re-arranged line-up that failed to get its first test last week. Martin, the former K.O.S.B. right back, comes into that position in the side, relieving the minds of the Selection Committee in regard to the transfer of Gillott to the centre-forward position. South China have won all their games so far, and Kowloon have participated in two draws. The Chinese eleven will naturally start favourites, though they are due for a hard game.

The Police oppose Recreation at Kowloon and as both teams have drawn with Kowloon, they would appear to be evenly matched. Bentley and Williams return to the Police team and this should add to their efficiency. The speed of the Recreation attack, however, is likely to turn the match in their favour.

It is not surprising to find the Club dissatisfied with the composition of the team which lost so heavily a week ago. Segalen returns to half-back, though he played well at inside-left, and Andy Duncan is restored to his original position. Gray comes in from the reserve eleven to replace Bell. Their opponents to-morrow are St. Joseph's and the Club should win, if they watch Leonard and Lim closely enough.

The Navy are too uncertain a quantity to permit of a reasoned judgment of their prospects, though it would seem an unlikely eventuality that they should obtain their first win of the season at the expense of the Argyls.

The junior matches contain no fixture of outstanding interest. Navy Reserves, Eastern, Argyls University and Somersets look probable winners in the Second Division, while Fukien and the Somersets should add to their tally of points in the Third Division.

At Wednesday's meeting of the League Management Committee Kowloon were fined \$5 for playing an unregistered player against Eastern, the Club were cautioned for playing an unqualified player against St. Joseph's, and the Argyls were fined \$5 for playing three unregistered players against the Somersets. All were junior games.

#### Probable Teams.

Probable teams include:—  
Kowloon:—Angus; Martin; Pile; Downman, McKelvie, Bliss; Eastman, Gilchrist, Gillott, Hedley and Janson.  
Club:—Rodger; Strange; Bishop;

### FANLING GOLF.

STARTING TIMES FOR SUNDAY.

9.00 a.m.—J. S. McLaren and J. Smith.  
9.04 a.m.—J. B. Lanyon and C. B. Riggs.  
9.20 a.m.—C. H. M. Andrew and W. E. Hunt.  
9.24 a.m.—G. T. May and J. Gardner.  
9.28 a.m.—H. T. Buxton and D. Ellis.  
9.32 a.m.—H. Sturt and W. A. Butterfield.  
9.36 a.m.—Capt. Weir and Comdr. Priestley.  
9.40 a.m.—T. S. Marshall and H. W. Duley.  
9.44 a.m.—Harrop and T. Low.  
9.48 a.m.—J. W. Alabaster and W. N. Buyers.  
9.52 a.m.—A. C. I. Bowker and V. R. Gordon.  
9.56 a.m.—R. Young and K. S. Robertson.  
10.00 a.m.—J. Campbell and A. B. Purves.  
10.04 a.m.—W. C. Shields and T. S. Whyte Smith.  
10.08 a.m.—A. D. Humphreys and O. Eager.  
10.12 a.m.—A. C. Meredith and R. Stuart.  
10.16 a.m.—H. C. Shrubsole and L. Yates.  
10.20 a.m.—G. A. Leiper and J. H. Ashworth.  
10.24 a.m.—A. H. Mussen and O. E. C. Marton.  
10.28 a.m.—D. M. Richards and S. S. Perry.  
10.32 a.m.—J. A. Bloomfield and H. Lowe.  
10.36 a.m.—H. L. Shultz and W. Wright.  
10.40 a.m.—W. A. Weight and H. A. Mills.  
10.44 a.m.—A. E. Lissaman and H. U. Ireland.  
10.48 a.m.—R. E. Atwell and E. P. White.  
10.52 a.m.—I. G. Allison and J. R. Younger.  
10.56 a.m.—M. N. Cochrane and G. Walsh.  
11.00 a.m.—A. Ritchie and H. Spicer.  
11.04 a.m.—A. B. Raworth and H. P. Bailey.  
11.08 a.m.—D. J. Gilmore and I. H. Geare.  
11.12 a.m.—A. H. Ferguson and J. K. Macfarlan.  
11.16 a.m.—G. Castle and J. S. Dykes.  
11.20 a.m.—G. W. Sellars and J. J. French.  
11.24 a.m.—E. des Voeux and T. C. Monaghan.  
11.28 a.m.—A. Leach and A. O. Brawn.  
11.32 a.m.—R. H. Wild and J. R. Collis.  
11.36 a.m.—C. W. Jeffries and L. J. Blackburn.  
11.40 a.m.—L. H. Ruffin and K. K. Bonds.  
11.44 a.m.—D. J. Keogh and D. S. Robb.  
11.48 a.m.—J. S. Webb and D. Black.  
11.52 a.m.—H. C. B. Watson and E. M. Bryden.  
11.56 a.m.—J. Jones and W. S. Hillier.  
Noon.—P. Morrison and H. Hampton.  
12.04 p.m.—W. F. Leckie and J. D. A. Hutchison.

### LOCAL CRICKET.

The following will represent the Volunteers against the Civil Service C.C. on Sunday at 11 a.m. on the Navy ground:—E. J. R. Mitchell (Capt.), A. C. Beck, A. Reid, E. R. West, G. C. Burnett, N. A. E. Mackay, S. V. Gittins, B. L. Stock, J. P. Whitham, R. H. D. Wade and A. J. R. Wolff.

A grand jury alleges that there is in Chicago a three-cornered alliance between the Police Department, corrupt politicians, and the criminal element, to which the jury attributes crime in general.

Segalen, Stewart McBride; C. Duncan, Gray, Goldmap, A. Duncan and Wallington. South China:—Pau Ka-ping; Tam Kong-pak, Lee Tinsang; Tong Kwan, Wong Mei-shur, Leung Wing-shui; Cheng Sui-hong, Chu Kwok-lun, Fung King-cheong, Chan Yu-tin and Ip Pak-wah.

Police:—Clark; Perkins, Williams, McGreavy, Oram, Shepherd; Pile, Thorpe, Fraser, Bentley, Brown.

Recreation:—Lawrence; Sousa, Xavier; Beltrio, Gossano, Marques; B. Gossano, Ward, Silva, Rocha and Santos.

Club 2nd:—Fogwill; Stoker, Hynes; Sloan, Punchedon, Smith; Alexander, Bell, Strange, Jackson and Fowler.

University:—Oppenheim; Bee, Harrison; Reed, Wong, Lew; Ong, Candah, Tan, Kho and Lee.

Recreation 2nd:—Marques; Lawrence, Britto; Marcal, C. Figueiredo, J. Figueiredo, d'Assis, Oliveira, Gonsalves, Silva and Santos.

### CRICKET.

#### TEAMS FOR LEAGUE AND FRIENDLY MATCHES.

The Hongkong Cricket Club, in their friendly match against the University on their own ground to-morrow afternoon, will be represented by the following players:—H. Owen Hughes (Capt.), A. C. I. Bowker, A. C. Beck, E. J. R. Mitchell, E. R. West, E. R. Duckitt, A. Reid, G. R. More, J. Hiley, O. E. C. Marton and R. H. D. Wade.

#### H.K.C.C. v. Craighower Juniors.

The Second eleven of the Hongkong C.C. are playing a League fixture against the Craighower C.C. at Happy Valley and will be represented by the following:—W. W. Blackenzie (Capt.), R. H. Wild, J. D. Humphreys, P. W. L. Plummer, S. J. Stanesby, A. J. Wolff, E. J. Collins, J. R. Hinton, E. S. W. Paterson, J. D. A. Hutchison and E. C. Etherington.

#### Police v. Recreation.

The following team will represent the Police in a League fixture against the Club de Recreation on the Police ground at Happy Valley, to-morrow at 2 p.m. sharp:—T. H. King, W. la B. Sparrow, C. P. Alexander, A. N. Reynolds, E. G. Post, A. V. Baker, B. G. Baker, B. Thorpe, T. R. Hunter, W. E. Meadows, H. Loughlin and W. Sherry.

#### I.R.C. 1st XI v. Argyls.

The following will represent the Indian Recreation Club 1st XI in a friendly match against the Argyls and Sutherland Highlanders to-morrow at Soekunpo at 2 p.m. (sharp):—A. H. Madar (Capt.), A. el Arculli, J. S. A. Curcram, E. Heptalla, S. A. Ismail, O. Ismail, A. R. Minu, A. K. Minu, F. D. Pereira, J. M. A. Ramjahn and A. A. Ramjahn.

### OBITUARY.

#### TRAGIC PASSING OF A TENNIS STAR.

The death has occurred of Mrs. Hanish Munro (the former tennis star Miss Evelyn Colyer) on her husband's tea estate at Assam. It is believed death was due to complications following childbirth. She gave birth to twins on October 20, one of which died. *Reuter.*

#### Mr. Edward Minny.

Shanghai, Nov. 6. The whole body of racing men here has been stunned by the death of Mr. Edward Minny, who died in the Country Hospital on November 5 from a serious injury sustained during the racing on November 4, while riding Golden Phoenix. He was only thirty years old. *Our Own Correspondent.*

### ANNUAL GOLF MATCH FOR SUNDAY WEEK.

#### ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY v. ST. ANDREW'S.

The annual golf match between the Societies of St. George and of St. Andrew is to be played on Sunday, November 16, at Fanling. The teams to represent the two Societies have been selected and are as follows:

#### St. George's.

O. E. C. Marton, A. E. Lissaman, L. R. Andrews, G. S. Dodwell, G. S. Archbutt, P. J. de Rome, F. J. R. Mitchell, A. B. Raworth, N. L. Smith, A. H. Mussen, T. G. Bennett, A. C. I. Bowker, J. W. Franks, J. H. Raikes, A. D. Humphreys, M. G. Mills.

#### St. Andrew's.

J. W. Shewan, A. B. Stewart, A. H. Forsgoun, J. K. Macfarlan, J. M. Walker, K. S. Robertson, D. Forbes, R. Young, C. C. Stark, A. B. Purves, K. S. Morrison, J. Stuart, J. S. Robb, D. J. Gilmore, J. S. Clerk, J. S. MacLaren.

#### Reserves:

J. L. Shellshair, T. S. Whyte Smith, E. D. Matthews, J. B. Dunnet.

#### Governor's Shield.

The draw for the Governor's Shield together with the players' handicaps and the dates by which each round is to be completed, is announced, and is as follows:

Furness Ltd. (L. Yates, 17 & C. C. Black, 9) v. Hongkong Bank (M. G. Mills, 9 & S. J. H. Fox, 12), by; Bank Line (D. Forbes, 9 & J. R. Collis, 18) v. Lane Crawford Ltd. (W. S. Hillier, 14 & H. Hampton, 14); H.M.S. Tamar (Com. Morris, 13 & Lieut. Com. Pigott, 10) v. Public Works Department (D. S. Edward, 14 & J. G. Campbell, 14); Deacon's (O. E. C. Marton, 1 & H. J. Armstrong, 18) v. Crown Solicitor's Office (L. R. Andrews, 5 & T. S. Whyte Smith, 11); Chartered Bank (J. M. Walker, 7 & D. J. Gilmore, 8) v. R.A.O.C. (Lieut. Col. Stokes, 6 & Major. Aste, 9); H.M.S. Thracian (Com. Voresmith, 14 & Lieut. Moseley, 12) v. Dairy Farm (J. D. Thomson, 12 & A. Macfarlane, 18); A. P. C. (W. A. Butterfield, 15 & R. Young, 7) v. Government Medical Department (I. Newton, 6 & J. E. Dovey, 10); Lowe Bingham and Matthews (A. Ritchie, 14 & D. S. Robb, 10) v. Royal Artillery (A. H. Mussen, 7 & J. M. Macfarlan, 3); Kowloon Railway (J. Smith, 10 & J. Morris, 18) v. Hannibal & Co. (H. T. Buxon, 18 & D. Ellis, 13); Dodwell & Co. (L. G. S. Dodwell, 6 & C. E. Holmes, 8) v. Vacuum Oil Co. (I. H. Geare, 10 & A. Leach, 10); Jardine Matheson (O. Eager, 11 & P. Morrison, 16) v. Davis Beag & Co. (N. M. Currie, 18 & W. A. Stewart, 16); Butterfield and Swire (H. U. Ireland, 7 & T. Low,

### QUEEN'S THEATRE.

#### "BISHOP MURDER CASE" A POWERFUL FILM.

The "Bishop Murder Case," shown for the first time at the Queen's Theatre yesterday, deserves well of the public for the convincingly dramatic atmosphere it is able to convey. From the start, the right touch of mystery and expectant suspense is introduced, holding the interest to within the last hundred feet or so of film when the various characters are sorted out, and the crook whose grim handiwork is traced in half-a-dozen mysterious murders is revealed in all his criminality.

With a theme such as is treated in "The Bishop Murder Case" it is quite easy to err on the side of over-treatment, but producers have shown careful restraint, and the production is plausible and convincing. The dialogue is intelligently to follow the story and appreciate all the qualities of a really good crook play. By all means, see the "Bishop Murder Case."

### HOCKEY.

#### Y.M.C.A. TEAM FOR SATURDAY.

The Y. M. C. A. second hockey eleven to meet the Hongkong Police team on Saturday at King's Park at 2.30 p.m. is:—A. N. Other, R. Lydon, H. Keyserling, W. Stonell, R. A. Bates, J. M. Purvis, A. Tate, W. H. Smith, L. Macey, Tippet, W. Parker.

14 v. University (J. L. Shellshair, 9 & P. A. Redmond, 7); General Electric (A. B. Raworth, 8 and H. P. Bailey, X) v. Treasury (J. S. MacLaren, 8 & H. A. Mills, 18); Education Department (A. O. Brown, 14 & F. J. de Rome, 5) v. Canadian Pacific (Capt. A. W. Davidson, 14 & T. C. Monaghan, 9). Handicaps will be as above throughout the competition except that Bailey, who is marked X, will play (from scratch or from any handicap allotted officially before the first match) played by him.

The first round is to be completed on or before December 1, the second by December 21, the third by January 10, the semi-finals by January 31 and the final by February 14. If a match goes beyond the 15th green strokes will be taken as in first round.

### SCOTLAND YARD AND A 5/- FEE.

#### WHEN INQUIRERS NEED NOT PAY.

Complaints are being made of the difficulty and expense of obtaining information from Scotland Yard regarding street accidents.

"A few evenings ago," one man writes, "a taxicab in which I was being driven ran over a man, seriously injuring him. On the following morning I called at Scotland Yard to inquire after the man's health and to see if I could in any way be of assistance to him. I was first asked to fill in a form and then shown upstairs, where I had to answer exactly the same questions on another form."

"This, however, was not the end of my troubles, for I was informed that the fee for making my purely charitable inquiry was five shillings; and my mild perturbation turned to dismay when I was told that I could not expect a reply to my inquiry for at least two or three days."

An official at Scotland Yard explained that five shillings is the statutory fee charged when interested parties make inquiries; in return for this they are furnished in due course with an abstract from the official report.

#### Conflict of Views.

There appears, however, to be considerable doubt in the matter. On the one hand, one official stated that, if they were to answer all the inquiries received regarding street accidents, they would need a largely increased staff, and the best they could do would be to refer applicants to local police stations; while, on the other hand, another official stated: "Of course, we would answer any such inquiry free of charge. The fee of five shillings is payable only for an abstract of the official report, such as is needed by solicitors, witnesses, and insurance agents."

The latter view is apparently the correct one; for, when a Press representative called at Scotland Yard to inquire after the health of the victim of an accident, he was treated with every consideration and was not asked to pay any fee. While, therefore, an official abstract is obtainable only on payment of five shillings, a reasonable inquiry for private purposes should involve no liability whatever.

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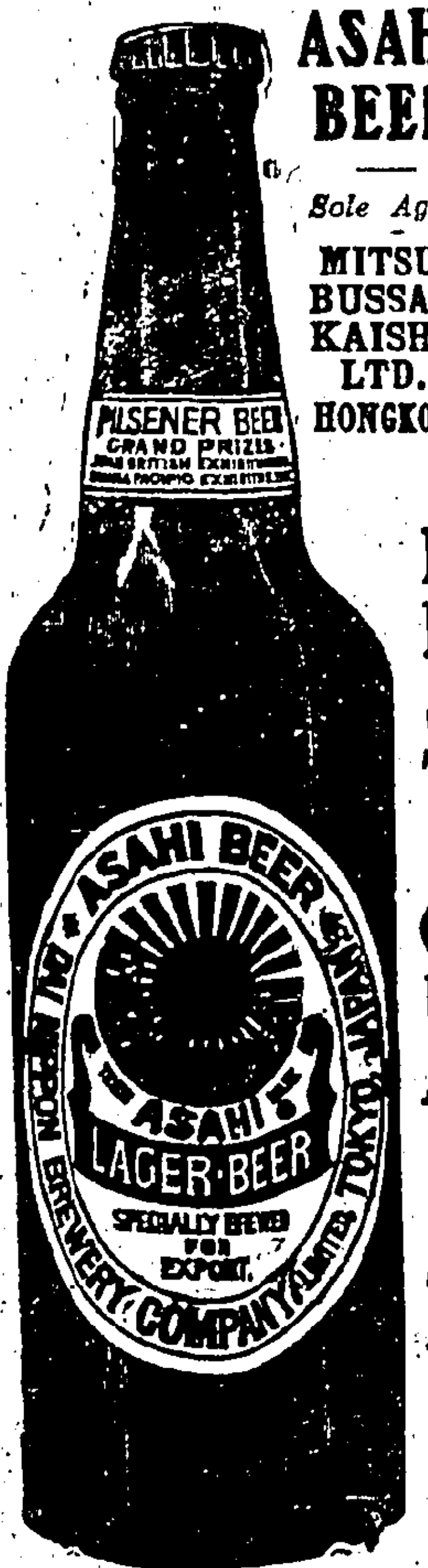
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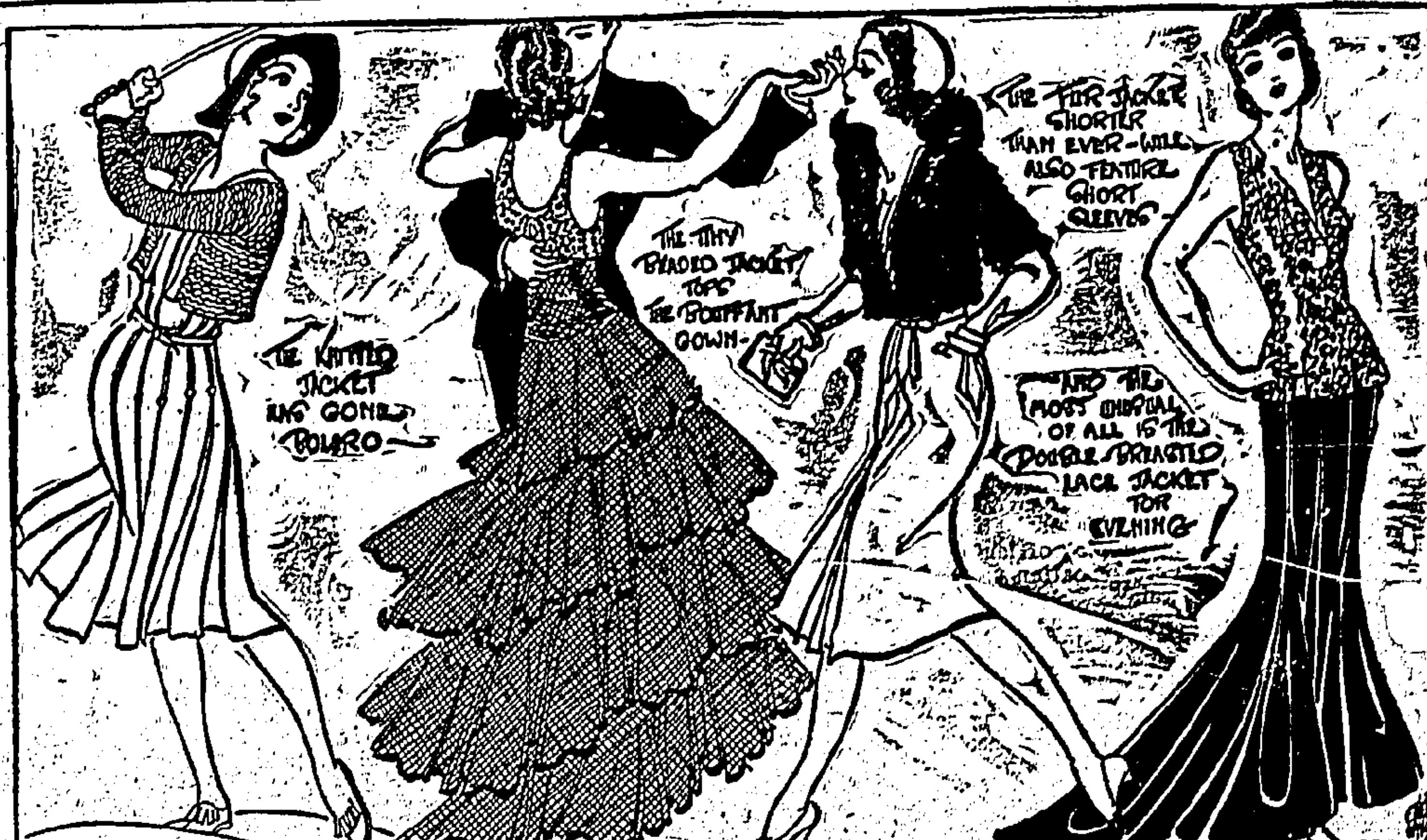
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## KOWLOON TONG SCHEME.

### FINANCIAL SETTLEMENT BY THE GOVERNMENT.

#### MR. BRAGA'S QUERIES.

The financial settlement of the Kowloon Tong building scheme was discussed at a meeting of the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council, held yesterday afternoon, when a vote of \$105,000, being the Government's contribution to the settlement, came up for approval.

The official explanation of the vote was:—The Agreement for the taking up and development of an area at Kowloon Tong, giving effect to the Garden City scheme prepared by the late Mr. C. Montague Eda, provided for the carrying out by the Government of certain formation and other works, and for the payment of premium for the Lots comprised in the scheme-area, and for the grant of Crown Leases to the subscribers to the scheme who duly paid their proportions of the development cost and the premium.

Owing to difficulties, many of which could not have been foreseen, encountered both by the Government and the Company which undertook the development on a non-profit making basis, there were delays and increases of cost. Disputes arose between the Company and the Government, and between the subscribers and the Company as to the increased cost of development. In order to dispose finally of such disputes and to close the subscribers' accounts relating to the completed scheme, it is intended, with the approval of the Secretary of State, to contribute towards an 80% but final settlement the sum of \$105,000 or half the total amount required. The amount of such contribution is slightly less than one-fourth of the premium.

#### Mr. Braga's Questions.

The Hon. J. P. Braga said:—There are a few points that require clearing up before I feel I can vote for such a large sum of money in connexion with the Kowloon Tong building scheme. I think in order to facilitate replies, Sir, I should put my questions separately after each has been answered. The first is one that really asks for a little explanation because the explanatory statement in paragraph 2 of Item 134 does not appear too clear from my reading of the last three lines. It is stated that it is intended, with the approval of the Secretary of State, to contribute towards an 80 per cent, but final settlement the sum of \$105,000. Might I know, Sir, 80 per cent, of what total amount?

The Chairman:—If you have several questions it is better to get them altogether.  
 Hon. Mr. Braga:—The next point is that the sum of \$105,000 is lost in order to dispose finally of such disputes—that is, disputes between the Government and the Company on the one hand and the subscribers and the Company on the other hand, and to close the subscribers' Account. Has such an account as a Subscribers' Account been presented by the Company to the Government? If the account has been submitted to the Government, and I assume that such an account has been, otherwise the amount that is now asked to be voted, could not have been arrived at, can the Government lay on the table in the form of a Sessional Paper the statement of accounts that have

been submitted to the Government by the Kowloon Tong Company?

My third question relates to a reply given by the Government at a Council meeting held on July 25, last year, as reported in *Herald* at page 125 in which your predecessor, Sir, stated "When the whole scheme has been completed Government will under sub-clauses (b) and (c) of Clause 5 of the Agreement be entitled to receive in all a sum of \$315,827.22." It is pertinent, Sir, to enquire whether this sum of \$300,000 odd dollars has been received by the Government in the first instance or whether it has been set off against any account owing by the Government to the Company, and whether the sum of \$105,000 included in the Minute is an additional sum to the \$315,000? In other words, whether, in order to assist in the closing of the final statement of accounts, a sum of over \$420,000 is required to liquidate what I may term the Government's share of the losses arising out of the Kowloon Tong scheme?

#### A Committee's Report.

The Chairman:—I think I can answer your questions generally. There was a Committee that sat on this settlement whose report is here and which I can give you if you wish, although it is a very long matter. You will remember yourself, Mr. Braga, that difficulties arose over the Kowloon Tong scheme owing to labour troubles in 1922 and 1925 and disturbances in the Colony, and that for one reason or another the expenses to Subscribers were very much more heavy than they were originally estimated to be, mostly for reasons quite beyond control. As a consequence, difficulties arose between the Subscribers, the Promoters and the Government—the three sides to the question concerned. It appeared at one moment as if there was going to be very serious litigation, and the recommendations of this Committee have ended in an agreement between all three sides. One more side is concerned, and that is the contractors whose bills were overdue for payment, and the result is that they have reduced their demands to 80 per cent, and the remaining excess over the original cost to Subscribers is equally shared between the Government and the Promoters, and with these two payments—the Government subscription being in effect a reduction of one quarter of the premium which they would otherwise have received—the whole matter is settled and much future trouble avoided. All the parties are in agreement and the Government feels justified in asking for this vote to make the agreement effective.

#### Three Lakhs Paid.

Hon. Mr. Braga:—And what has become of the \$300,000 odd that was due to the Company?  
 The Chairman:—All paid.  
 Hon. Mr. Braga:—That has been paid and accounted for?  
 The Chairman:—Yes.  
 Hon. Mr. Braga:—And the Treasurer has received the amount of \$315,000?

Colonial Treasurer:—It is all paid with the exception of one small outstanding amount.  
 The Chairman:—To all intents and purposes, it has all been paid.  
 Hon. Mr. Braga:—Would it be a fair assumption that upon payment of this \$105,000 by the Government to the original Company, that Subscribers would not, under the triangular scheme, be called upon by the Kowloon Tong Company or by the contractors for any further instalments?

The Chairman:—As far as I understand it, when the Government has paid the \$105,000, and Subscribers have paid their proportion, there will be a rebate for

such of them as have paid their proportion.

Hon. Mr. Braga:—And the Government knows exactly what this proportion is going to be?

The Chairman:—That is a matter between Subscribers and their own Association, with which the Government deals as a body.

Hon. Mr. Braga:—That is an important point when it comes to the Subscribers, because I know of instances where Subscribers have paid and yet fresh demands have been made upon them for an additional percentage of the excess cost, and it is here where I think the Government ought to step in and protect Subscribers, and so if this Council were to vote \$105,000 Subscribers should be entirely free from any further exactions.

#### A Final Settlement.

The Chairman:—I think this is an absolutely final settlement of the whole thing.

Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson:—Is the \$105,000 guaranteed?

The Chairman:—We shall not be asked to vote this until the other \$105,000 has been definitely settled.

The Colonial Treasurer:—We shall not pay until they pay.

Hon. Mr. Braga:—So that we can take it that Subscribers will not be called upon to pay anything more. I have been at such length because Subscribers are, in a large number of cases, very small salaried men who, in some instances, have drawn entirely their Provident Fund money in order to be sure of a roof over their heads when the question of housing accommodation was in a very acute stage a few years back and I think they really deserve every protection and consideration.

The Chairman:—I think they have had consideration and protection and this is a final arrangement to which they are all agreed.

Hon. Mr. Braga:—That is satisfactory.

#### Courses of Study.

Regarding a vote of \$2,000 for the Medical Department to meet expenses of courses of study and attendance at the Medical Congress, the Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes enquired if these extra courses of study had already been authorised by the Government for medical officers Home on leave. He asked if they were already approved.

The Chairman:—Yes, they are very much encouraged both by the Colonial Office and by ourselves for any Government officers. There is always running expenditure on account of officers taking special courses of study, medical and other, while in England.

#### Collision Compensation.

Regarding a vote of \$6,166 to pay for compensation for damage caused by a P.W.D. lorry colliding with a verandah in Queen's Road Central in February last, the Hon. Sir Shouson Chow asked if this was the final account.

The Chairman:—Yes, it is the final account. It has been through the Finance Committee already and an advance vote was granted.

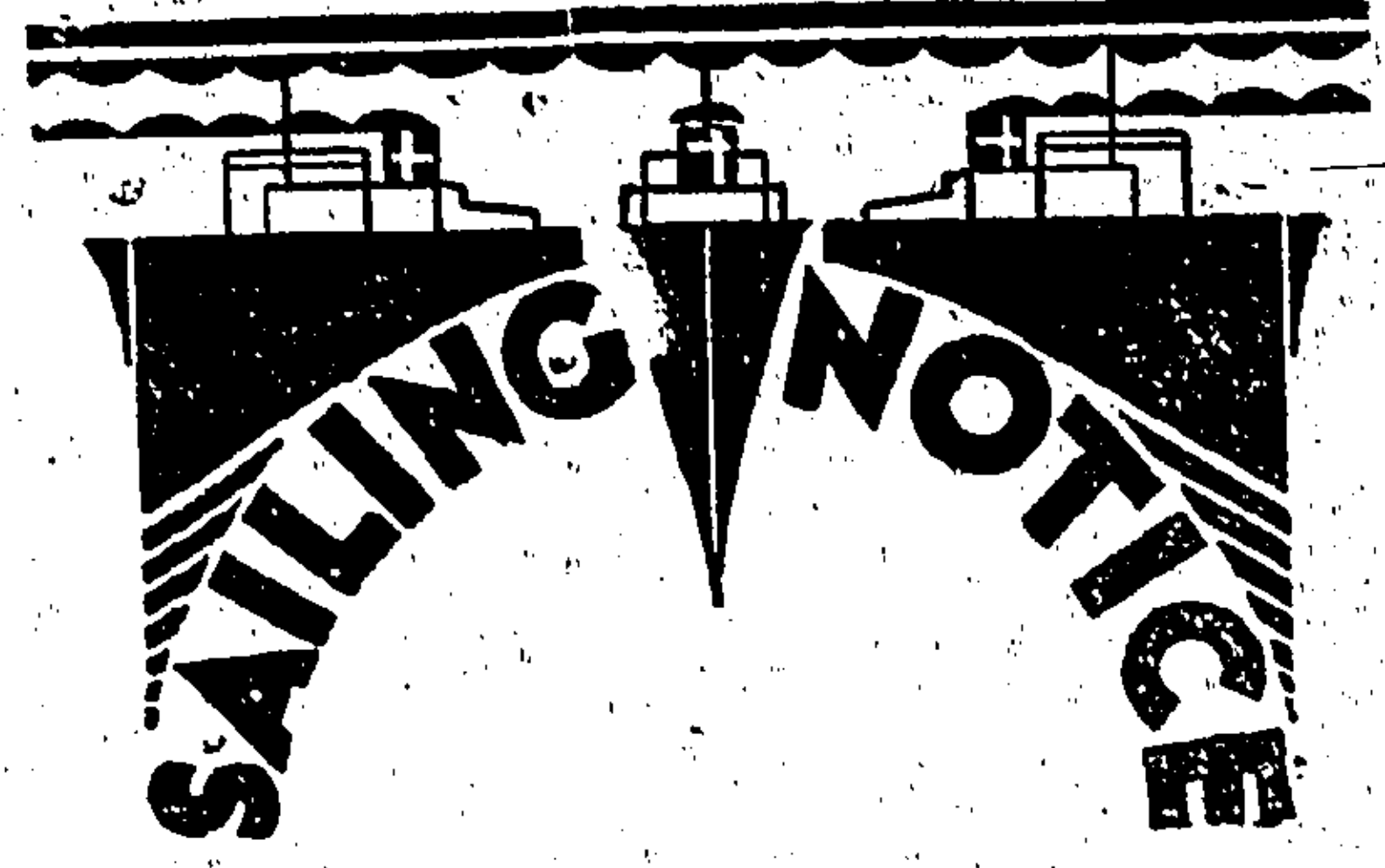
#### Delay in Delivery.

In connexion with a vote of \$3,200 for fire fighting appliances in Victoria Gaol, the Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes pointed out that the pumping set was ordered from England early in 1929 and he asked if the Crown agents had given any explanation of the delay in delivering such a very ordinary piece of machinery.

The Chairman:—I have no explanation, at the moment.

Hon. Mr. Owen Hughes:—There ought to be some reason set out as to the delay.

The Chairman:—Yes, I will enquire.  
 Hon. Mr. Paterson:—One of the reasons was a mistake in the vote. All the votes were approved.



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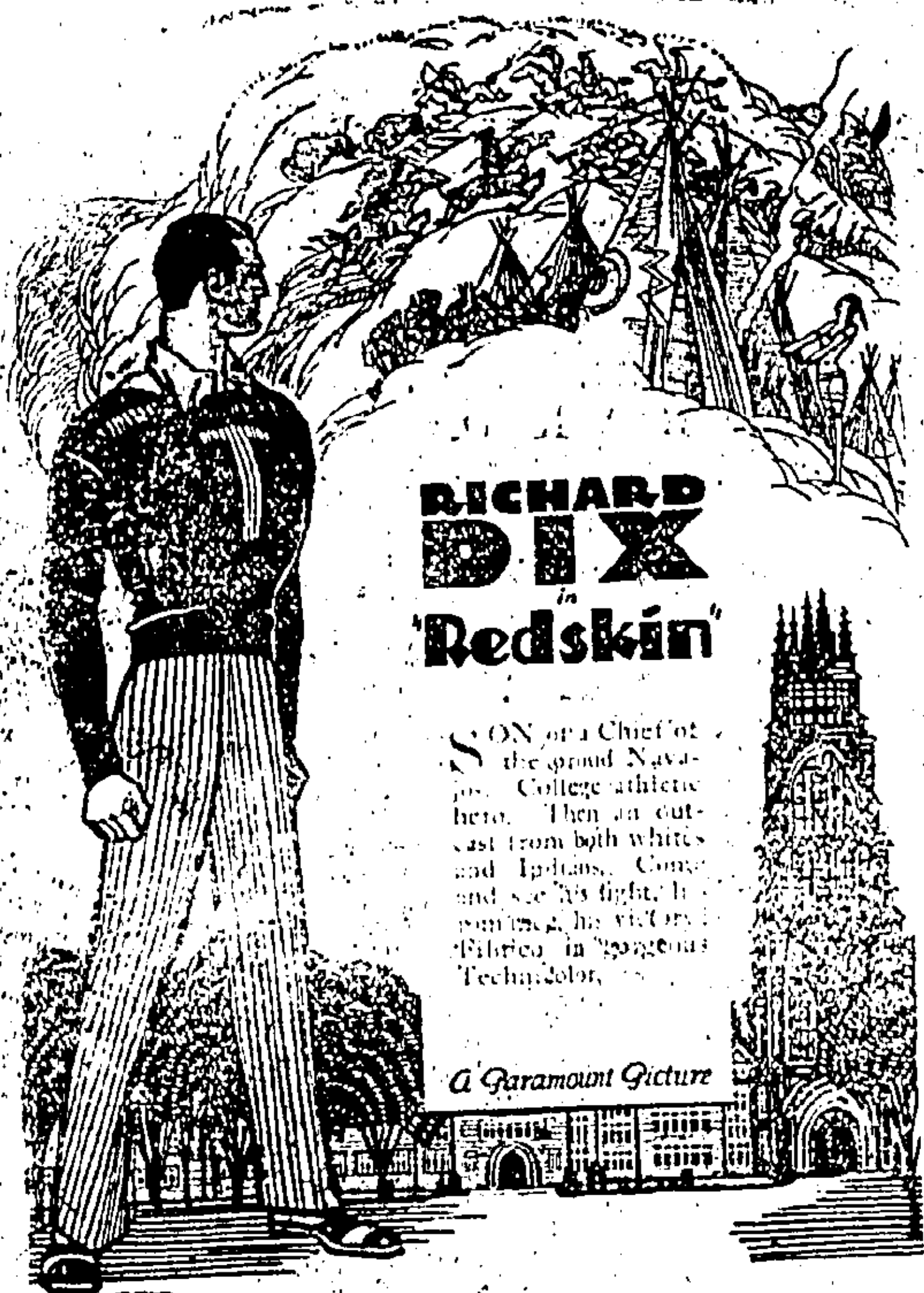




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### SPEECH IN BROKEN ENGLISH.

LITVINOFF'S CONFLICT WITH  
LEAGUE CHAIRMAN.

#### IGNORED DECISION.

Geneva, Nov. 6.  
"We are about to produce a  
revolutionary change in the  
world," predicted Lord Cecil, in  
a speech at the seventh session of  
the Preparatory Disarmament  
Commission, which opened under  
the chairmanship of Heer Lou-  
don (Netherlands) to-day.

The principal British delegate,  
however, counselled against undue  
haste and said he would favour  
compromises on any points of dif-  
ference.

Later M. Litvinoff, the Soviet  
delegate, came into conflict with  
Heer Loudon a second time on the  
subject of the non-translation of  
M. Litvinoff's speech, which filled  
nine typed pages, resurrecting the  
Soviet proposals for more drastic  
disarmament.

M. Litvinoff had been called to  
order previously for starting this  
long dissertation notwithstanding the  
Commission's decision to  
abstain from a general discussion  
and to concentrate on the Articles  
of the Draft Convention.

The chairman refused to allow  
Litvinoff's speech to be translated  
into French, whereupon jour-  
nalists walked out.

The Soviet chief delegate made  
his speech in broken English and  
it was not translated into French  
owing to its length.

Litvinoff submitted a proposal  
permitting the signatories tem-  
porarily to increase their peace  
time armaments beyond the agreed  
figures, if menaced by an organised  
rebellion, subject to the consent of  
the Council; also a proposal to  
establish a permanent Disarmament  
Committee (whose members should  
be independent of their govern-  
ments) to supervise the working of  
the Convention, and report annual-  
ly to the League.—Reuter.

### TERRIBLE FIRE IN CHAPEL.

28 CHINESE KILLED AND  
70 INJURED.

Fire broke out in a factory for  
making soldiers' uniforms in  
Chapel, near Markham Road  
Bridge, on Sunday afternoon and  
28 persons lost their lives while 70  
persons received injuries of various  
degrees.

Seven machines from Chapel re-  
sponded but it was some hours be-  
fore they had the fire under con-  
trol. The principal factory build-  
ing, three supplementary buildings  
and 28 houses were partially de-  
stroyed.

The fire was caused from a  
cigarette, it is believed, which set  
cotton waste alight in the main  
building. Before the flames were  
seen, they had got beyond control.  
Within a short period, the stair  
was cut off and the employees most-  
ly women, who were isolated above,  
jumped from windows. During the  
panic many were crushed on the  
stairs, the others receiving frac-  
tures and bruises after they jump-  
ed.

### A SERIOUS CHARGE WITHDRAWN.

EMBEZZLEMENT CASE NOT  
PROCEEDED WITH.

Mr. F. H. Loseby appearing on  
behalf of a complainant, Tsang  
Sing-nam, the Manager of the Mei  
Chun Sui factory, 149, Sheung Sha  
Wan, made an application, before  
Mr. Butters at the Kowloon  
Magistrate's court, for the  
withdrawal of a charge preferred  
against Tsang Tak-woon, an  
employee of the complainant, who  
was charged with embezzlement.

### WAR ON FORMOSA ABORIGINES.

CHEMICAL CAMPAIGN MAY  
BE EMPLOYED.

#### BURNING OF FOREST.

Because the head-hunters' na-  
tural allies—rain, jungle, cliffs  
and chams—are making civiliza-  
tion's ordinary tools for killing  
ineffective, the Japanese expedi-  
tion fighting the savage aborigines  
of Formosa may resort to chemi-  
cals according to a Press despatch  
from Tokyo.

Although the expedition has  
made progress against the tribes-  
men, capturing one savage strong-  
hold Saturday and another later,  
it is finding that the round-up of  
the elusive aborigines to punish  
them for the massacre at Musha  
is no easy task. The job is far  
from completed, for the tribes-  
men, making full use of their na-  
tural advantages, are grimly re-  
sisting their Japanese enemies.

#### Rains Hinder.

Rain storms have partly immo-  
bilized the Japanese aircraft,  
while mountain artillery and ma-  
chine-guns are unable to reach the  
primitive warriors in their hiding  
places in jungles and mountain  
caves.

"Because the topography large-  
ly nullifies air-bombing and other  
offensive weapons," said a dis-  
patch received by the ministry of  
overseas affairs, "our troops are  
considering the use of chemicals."

"In order to minimize losses, the  
expedition is planning to burn the  
forests in which the enemy is hid-  
ing," said another dispatch.

#### Village Burned.

One savage stronghold captured  
was the village of Mahebo,  
six miles east of Musha. The  
Japanese had a charge uphill to  
reach the place and it took them  
almost 24 hours to capture it.  
They began their attack at 3 p.m.  
one day and took the village at  
1.30 p.m. the next, while the several  
hundred warriors who had been  
defending it retreated into the  
nearby hills and valleys. After  
the victory the Japanese complete-  
ly burned the village. The loss  
of two Japanese officers was re-  
ported to the government, but the  
other casualties were not specifi-  
ed.

#### Festival of Heads.

According to an official report to  
the ministry of overseas affairs,  
the savages held a "festival of  
heads" at Mahebo on Friday night,  
making a pile of heads of the vic-  
tims of the Mahebo massacre and  
dancing and chanting around them.  
It appears that the conflict may  
be of long duration, as a result of  
which further artillery and ma-  
chine-gun units have been ordered  
to reinforce the expedition.

Owing to increasing casualties  
among the Japanese, 500 steel hel-  
mets have been ordered to be sent to  
the front from Taikoku, the capital  
of Formosa.

The Japanese say that it is im-  
possible to know the tribesmen's  
losses because the tribesmen pos-  
sibly, but it was estimated that  
they had suffered at least 80 killed  
and many wounded prior to Satur-  
day's attack.

Mr. Loseby said the defendant  
was employed as a canvasser by  
the complainant, and had collect-  
ed debts amounting to \$800 on  
behalf of the complainant. The  
defendant then suddenly became  
ill and went to the country. Not  
hearing anything of him for a  
long time, the complainant went  
to the police and preferred the  
charge. On his return from the  
country, the defendant satisfied  
the complainant that he had no  
intention of robbing him, and con-  
sequently the complainant wished  
the case to be withdrawn.

Mr. Butters granted the applica-  
tion.

### OIL WELL GUSHER TAMED.

EXCITING SCENES IN  
OKLAHOMA.

#### FIRE PRECAUTIONS.

Okahoma, Nov. 2.  
After a bitter battle which  
raged for 72 hours Wild Morgan,  
the world's greatest oil well  
gusher, was tamed to-day.

A weary crew, reinforced by  
literally hundreds of National  
Guardsmen, succeeded in plac-  
ing a 4,000 pound cap on the gusher,  
shutting off the flow of crude oil  
which for three days shot high  
into the air at the rate of 125,000  
barrels a day.

The guards in the four miles  
danger zone about Wild Morgan  
were reduced when the two ton  
cap was placed. But the fire  
menace in the oil saturated area  
is still acute. While people are  
slowly returning to the homes they  
evacuated when Wild Morgan tore  
loose traffic, hammering, or any  
other activity likely to cause  
sparks is still prohibited.

For many days it will be neces-  
sary to maintain precautions  
against a disastrous conflagration.  
It is estimated that the fires, loss  
of oil, damage to warehouse goods  
and cessation of industry caused  
by the eruption of Wild Morgan  
has cost more than \$500,000.

Many of the National Guards-  
men called out for emergency duty  
because of the antics of the gusher  
have been demobilized. Others  
are still on duty, aiding firemen,  
police and state troopers to patrol  
the danger area.

For one or two miles on each  
side of the gusher buildings are  
thickly coated with crude oil.  
Fumes from the well still hang  
heavy over a wide area. Air-  
planes are still prohibited from  
flying over the now conquered  
gusher.

During the three days of Wild  
Morgan's spree the flow of oil was  
carried as far as Oklahoma's state  
capitol, two miles north of the  
four square miles danger area.

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novel item or two made a break-  
away from the ordinary run of con-  
cert programmes. The hall was  
well filled, and these entertainments  
promise to be as popular as they  
were last season.

Mrs. R. H. Gregory gave two  
operatic numbers that were well  
suited to her strong soprano. She  
pleased with her rendering of  
Verdi's well known Ave Maria  
from the opera "Otello."

Among the uncommon touches to  
the programme was the effort of  
Bandsman W. Hunt, of the Argyll  
and Sutherland Highlanders, who  
did well in some difficult finger-  
ing on the saxophone. The quick pas-  
sages of Beethoven's Minuet in G,  
and "La Cinquantaine" on that in-  
strument made an interesting com-  
parison with the more often-heard  
string renderings.

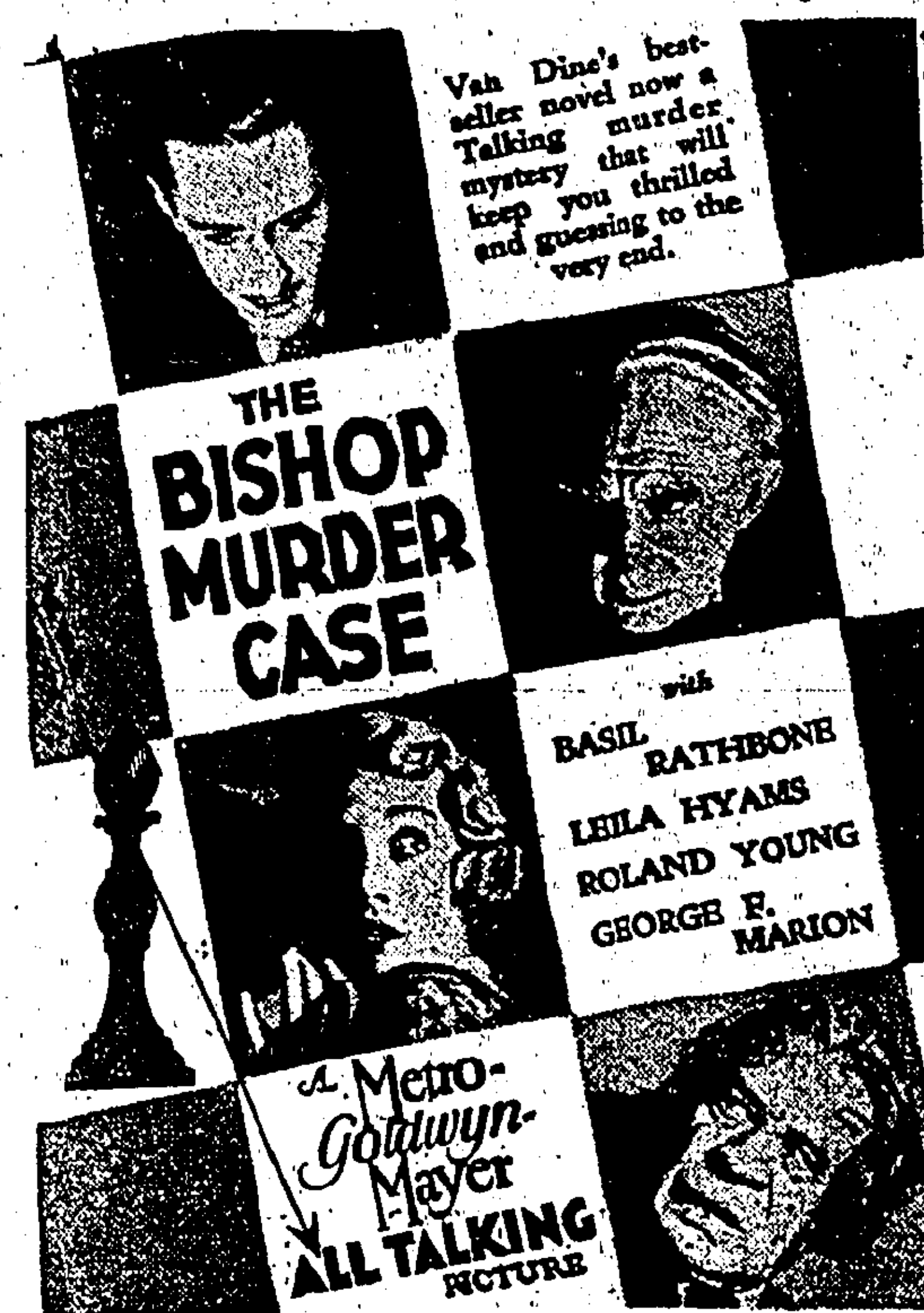
A colourful interlude was made  
by Miss Betty Pestonji in some in-  
tricate toe dancing. The dainty  
simplicity of the steps she executed  
in an old English dress contrasted  
with the more difficult adage work  
of a valse.

Mrs. H. Balean pleased in vi-  
olin solos and Mr. Li Chor-chi in-  
cluded the popular Massenet's  
"Elegie" in his four songs.

After setting fire to her clothes  
while lighting a cigarette in her  
cell at Newcastle Police Station  
recently, Elizabeth Jack, an un-  
employed servant, died in Newcastle  
Infirmary from burns.

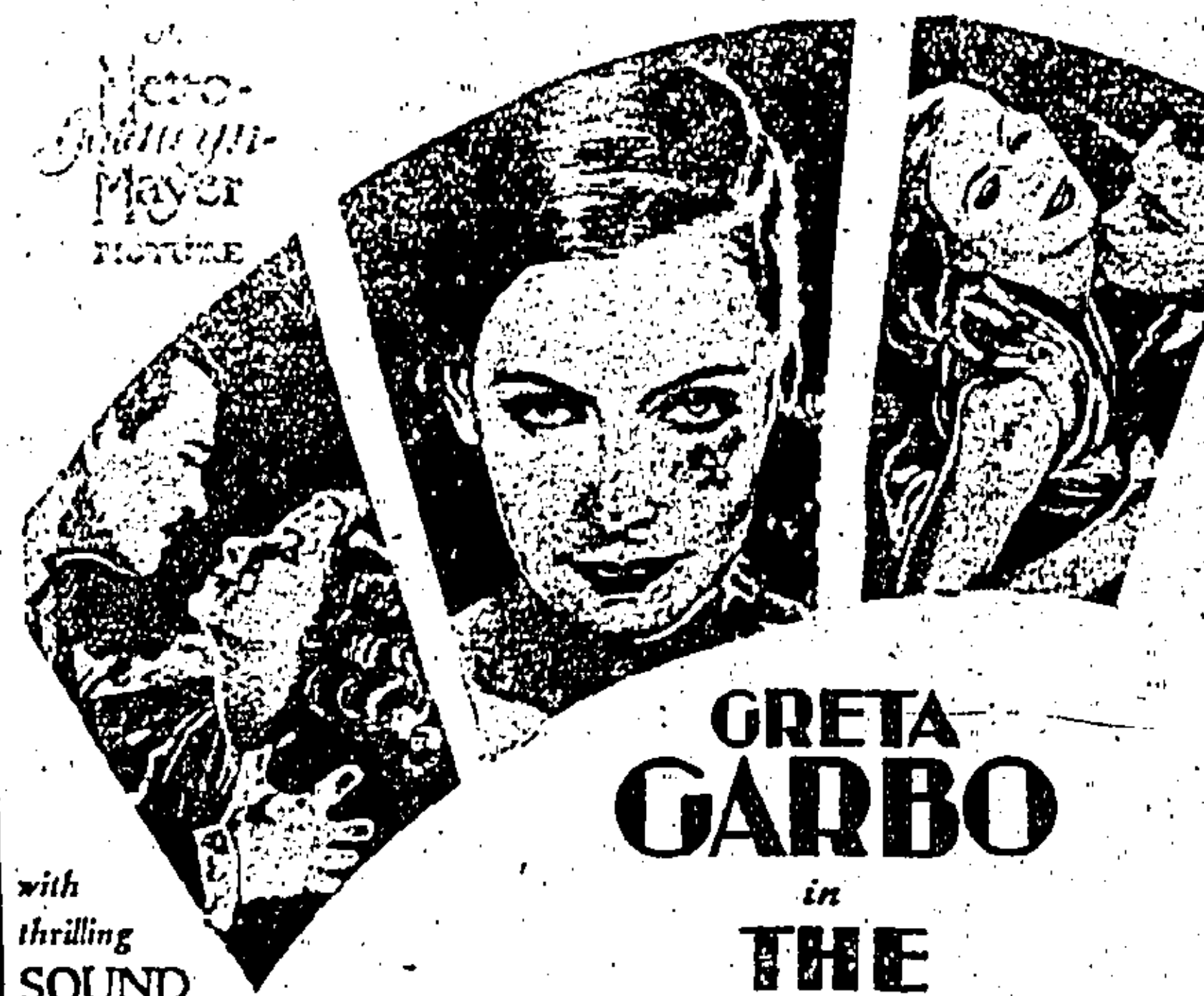
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